[CHAP. 61.]

An ACT to set off a part of the Town of Boxford and annex the same to the Town of Groveland.

Be it enacted, &c., as follows:

SECT. 1. So much of the town of Boxford, in the county of Essex, with the inhabitants thereon, as lies within the following described lines, is set off from the said town of Boxford, and annexed to the town of Groveland, in said county of Essex, to wit: Beginning at a stone monument at the north-westerly corner of the town of Georgetown, and north-easterly corner of said town of Boxford, thence running south, ten degrees thirty minutes west, three hundred and eleven rods and five links, on a line between said towns of Georgetown and Boxford, to a stone monument at an angle between said towns, thence running on an angle with the first mentioned line, containing forty-six degrees, thirty minutes, five hundred and fifty-eight rods and twenty links, north-westerly, and between the houses of William Ross and John C. Foot, and across Johnson's pond to a stone monument between the towns of Bradford, Boxford and Groveland, thence running easterly on a line between said towns of Boxford and Groveland, (which is the present dividing line between said towns,) to the point first begun at: *provided, however*, that the inhabitants and land thus set off, shall be holden to pay, and shall pay, to said town of Boxford, the sum of one hundred and ten dollars and fifty cents; the said sum being their portion of the town debt of said town of Boxford: and, *provided, further*, that all paupers who have gained a settlement in said town of Boxford, by a settlement gained or derived within said territory, shall be relieved or supported by said town of Groveland, in the same manner as if they had a legal settlement in said town of Groveland.

SECT. 2. For the purpose of electing representatives to the general court, to which the said town of Boxford is entitled, until the next decennial census shall be taken, in pursuance of the thirteenth article of amendment to the constitution, the said territory shall remain and continue to be a part of the town of Boxford, and the inhabitants, resident therein, shall be entitled to vote in the choice of such representatives, and shall be eligible to the office of representative in the town of Boxford, in the same manner as if this act had not passed.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage. [*Approved March* 21, 1856.

This book is to be kept wholly for the purpose of recording all letters to and from the Overseers of the Poor. — References should be made in the margin to the page where there is a letter which has any connection.

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John Sawyer Blaisdell.

Boxford to Chelmsford.

"Boxford Sept. 1823.

Gentlemen,

see page 2. 3. 4.

John Sawyer Blaisdel, son of John Blaisdel late of Chelmsford who died in the army at the Havannah, is now living in Boxford — John the son is about sixty six years of age and is out of health, destitute of the necessarys of life and unable to procure them he has been furnished with supplies at the expence of Boxford, which we have and shall continue to charge to your town till you shall take charge of him.

We give you this information that you may cause his removal or provide for his support as you may think proper.

N. B. Our information relating to the Habitancy of the said John S. Blaisdel is from the testimony of his mother several years before her decease.

With respect we are your humble Servants.

Gentlemen Selectmen or
Overseers of the Poor of Chelmsford."

Information.

Residence of John Sawyer Blaisdel as given by his Mother June 20th 1815. to Thomas Perley Esq.

Mrs. Wallingford, his mother, saith that her son John Sawyer Blaisdel was ~~a native~~ born at Chelmsford Nov. 3d 1757. That her husband John Blaisdel was a native of Chelmsford, and that he died in the army at the Havannah, that when her son was about two or three years old she went with him to Newbury and John soon after lived there with Enos Bartlet about a mile south of Mr. Hales Meeting-house, and after Mr. Bartlets death when John was about 18 yrs. old he went with her to live in Byfield Parish, Rowley side and was warned out of Rowley

Turn over

John Sawyer Blaisdell. (continued)

= soon after he came there, and a year or two after
see page 1. 3. 4. the being married to Mr. Wallingford of New Rowley,
and from that time John lived there with them untill
Mr. Wallingford came to Boxford, where he has lived
ever since.

Further. —— I certify that I took the following minutes
from the Records of Chelmsford, viz.

"John Blasdell the son of Henry Blasdell and
Lydia Blasdell, his wife, was born November 23d 1732."

"John Blasdel of Chelmsford and Mary Sawyer
of Newbury, Published June 25. 1756."

"John Sawyer Blasedel the son of John Blasedel
was born Nov. 3d 1757."

Attest John Bacon —

Note — all the original papers are filed in the Chelmsford
letter. —

John Blasdell taxed in Boxford 1788, 1791. 1792. 1793. 1794
& 1795. Poll tax abated for 1795 — 1788 abated

Further. from the records of Newbury — "Mary Sawyer
the daughter of John Sawyer jr. & Abigail his
wife born March 2. 1729."

"John Blasdell of Chelmsford informed of his intent
of Marriage with Mary Sawyer on the 23d of June
1756 & I posted his intent as the law directs."

"John Blasdell of Chelmsford & Mary Sawyer
were married August 5th 1756 by the Rev. Moses
Parsons."

In Boxford — Benjamin Wallingford taxed 1784, 1785 - 1786 - 1788 - 1789 - 1790
— Heirs of do. 1791.
— Wid. Wallingford taxed 1796 — 1797 & abated both years.

John Sawyer Blaisdell.

Chelmsford to Boxford.

"Chelmsford Sept. 17. 1823.

see page 1. 2. 4.

Gentlemen, We have received your letter dated Sept. 1823. informing us that a man by the name of John Sawyer Blaisdell, was in your Town destitute, and in need of assistance, and stating that you suppose said Blaisdell has his settlement in this town —

In answer, we inform you that said Blaisdell has not a settlement in this town — His ancestors having never gained a settlement here, and we are sure that he can have none here unless derived from his ancestors. We therefore shall not provide for his support nor pay any expense incurred for him.

We are with respect, Gentlemen your obedient servants.

To the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

John Butterfield
Sherbiah Spalding
Overseers of the Poor of Chelmsford.

August 25th 1825. John Butterfield called & agreed to take the said Blaisdell next week as one of their paupers.

May: Paul Nelson's bill for support furnished was $20.42 cts also $12.50 for <u>house rent</u>. The last item they refused to pay, & as it was considered not recoverable of Chelmsford, the subscriber settled with Chelmsford by their paying $20.42 cts. & taking the pauper.

John Bacon.

4 (1824)

John Sawyer Blaisdell.

Paul Nelson (Chowley) to Boxford.

see page 1. 2. 3.

" Chowley May 4th 1824.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford —

Gentlemen, This is to inform you that Mr. John Blaisdell, a resident of your town, and living in my house, is destitute, distressed and in want — that you must remove him immediately or pay me, in future, whatever expences may arise on his account, —

Paul Nelson. "

The above letter received June 7. 1824.

Mary Smith.

Rowley to Boxford.

"Rowley August 23. 1824.

Gentlemen — We received your letter of the 5th inst. stating that Mary Smith had become chargeable to your town &c; We are ever willing, Gentlemen, to provide for our own poor without procuring needless expence, when we have sufficient evidence that they are lawful inhabitants of our town. As to said Mary Smith, we have good evidence that she never gained a legal settlement in Rowley; We must therefore reject her as belonging to our town, and refuse to pay any bill of expence for the support of said Mary.

We are gentlemen yours &c,

Joseph Tilton
Thomas Payson
Amos G. Jenny
Overseers of the poor of the town of Rowley"

The gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor for the town of Boxford.

see page 6

The letter to which this was in answer, is not recorded as the copy cannot be found.

— The Overseers wrote first to Rowly who rejected her, they then after a long time had elapsed wrote to Newburyport & the Overseers took her away & paid 12.75 the back pay for two months —

Her settlement has since been ascertained in Rowly & that produced the letter on page 6th — The Overseers of Rowly first promised, eventually to pay the bill provided her settlement was eventually found there — see Pickerings Reports. V 1. page 123.

6. (1825.)

Mary Smith.

Boxford to Rowley.

Boxford July 16. 1825.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Rowley.

see page 5

Gentlemen — We acknowledge the receipt of your letter of Aug. 23. 1824. in answer to one from the Overseers of Boxford to you respecting Mary Smith a pauper, wherein you state very properly, that you are ever willing to provide for your poor without needless expence, as soon as a settlement is ascertained. — The whole expence paid by the town of Boxford for her support is sixty four dollars & twenty five cents which we have charged to your town. — You will please pay it as soon as convenient —

Respectfully Yours &c,
John Bacon
Chairman of Overseers
of Poor of Boxford.

Given July 23. 1825 to Maj. Paul Dole by John Bacon.

see the Order book.

1824.	April 3.	Pd Capt. Simon Cole	12	—
1825.	March 15.	do	64	25
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"	~~March 22~~		79	25
"	March 22	Pd of Newburyport	12	75
			66	50

James B. Eaton.

Boston to Boxford.

Boston Nov. 11. 1824.

see page 8. 9. 10.

Gent. James B. Eaton an Englishman Marrie Eliza daughter of Nathan and Mary Peabody inhabitants of Boxford, said Nathan is son of Nathan* Peabody of Boxford said Mary is daughter of John Baker of Haverhill. — The family of James B. Eaton is in destitute circumstances and consists of ten children five girls aged 18-12-10 6 and 3 yrs. and five boys aged 16-14-8 & 4 years and one 12 weeks old; said J. B. Eaton has his leg broke about three months since and has been unable to do any thing for his family, we have furnished them some aid to the amount of one dollar fifty cents which is charged to your town and we shall continue to supply their necessary wants untill we hear from you which we hope will be soon — Said J. B. Eaton has not been Naturalized.

Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Yours Respectfully
Stephen W. Jackson
one of the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston
per Order

* Thomas - see Record of Births page 79.

For Information respecting him see page 10

8. (1825)

James B. Eaton.

Boxford to Boston

Boxford January 7. 1825

see page 7. 9. 10.

"Gent. We acknowledge the receipt of your letter of Nov. last relating to the unfortunate situation of James B. Eaton and family whom you allege to belong to Boxford from a derivative settlement from one Nathan Peabody son of Nathan Peabody of Boxford.— We have made careful enquiry and have not been able to trace any such person as Nathan Peabody, son of Nathan Peabody either by record or tradition and shall refuse paying any bills for the support of said Eaton and family without more satisfactory proof of the circumstances—"

—The above was found on a scrap of paper and is supposed to be the answer sent by the letter on page 9. it was probably dated Jan. 7. 1825.

The above letter was signed by
Moses Forman
Simeon Pearl
Aaron Stafford
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Respectfully
Gent. Overseers of the Poor
of City of Boston

The original letter was returned from Boston to Overseers of Boxford February 9. 1885 - also J Eaton's letter of April 5 was returned at the same time.
Attest Lucile Forman Cl. of Overseers of Boxford
Feb 9. 1885

James B. Eaton.

Boston to Boxford.

"Boston Feb. 17. 1825.

Gentlemen, Yours of January 7. was duly received in answer to ours of Nov. 11. in which you deny the family of James B. Eaton having a settlement in your town, as you know of no such person as Nathan Peabody the son of Nathan Peabody; in ours of Nov. 11. we were wrongly informed as to his fathers name, & we are now informed that Nathan the father of J. B. Eatons wife, is son of Thomas & Rebecca* Peabody of Boxford. We have supplied said J. B. Eatons family to the amount of $13,84 which is charged to your town, & shall continue to supply his necessary wants until we hear from you which we hope will be soon—

Yours Respectfully
Stephen W. Nachson
one of the Overseers of the Poor
of the City of Boston
Per Order

Gentlemen Selectmen
or Overseers of the
Poor of Boxford.

see page 7 8 10.

* Ruth — see Record of Births page 79.

(1825.)

James B. Eaton.

Boxford to Boston

see "To the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston.
pars Gentlemen — We have received your two
7. 8. 9. communications dated Nov. 11. 1824 & Feb. 17. 1825
and have to inform you that no such person as
is described in them has now, or ever had a
settlement in our town, and we utterly refuse to
contribute anything towards the support of J.
B. Eaton's family whom you describe or to remove
them from your City, or to pay charges that have
already accrued by their being relieved or supported
by the Overseers of the Poor of Boston:
Dated Boxford April 5. 1825. John Bacon } Overseers
Solomon Low } of the Poor
of Boxford."

Delivered the Overseers by Gen. Low

Information.

Nathan Peabody was taxed in Ward No. 5 Ann Street
for the years 1794 - 1795 - 1796 - 1797 & 1798 —
He died in October 1798 of the yellow fever & the
estate was taxed in 1799 to his Widow — The
valuation of the estate taxed was £ 4000, it was
the Stage house in Ann Street — None of the tax
was ever abated. The time of his death I had from
J. B. Eaton's wife — We consider Nathan Peabody
gained a settlement in Boston by the Fifth rule
of the Statute of 1793. C. 34 sec. 2 — see also
Templeton vs Sterling Mass. Rep. v. 15 p. 253.

John Bacon.

Note. The papers are in a Letter from Boston.

MASSACHUSETTS STATE ANNUAL TAX.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

$ 1625.

Treasury Office, Boston, Dec 5th 1871

Received of Town of Bedford

Sixteen hundred twenty five — *Dollars,*

in full for its STATE ANNUAL TAX, *due December 1st, 1871.*

Thos. Adams Jr, Treasurer.

Recorded
Feb 21st 1872

Asa Stickney.

Danvers to Boxford.

"Danvers 1st. of May 1818.

Gentlemen – Asa Stickney with his family inhabitants of your town have become poor and in distress in this town, we have supplied them with wood and shall continue to supply them with what they may stand in need of & shall continue to charge your town untill you shall cause their removal or otherwise provide for them which we wish you to do & call and pay the bills. Said Asa was son of Joseph Stickney. Yours Respectfully

To Gentlemen Overseers of Poor Boxford. Squiers Shove Chairman of the Overseers of the Poor Danvers."

Recd May 21st.

Information got by. John Bacon.

Asa Stickney taxed in Beverly for real & personal estate & poll for the years 1791 & 1792.

Asa Stickney was taxed to highways in Danvers, the neck. district the following years & worked out the same, viz. 1795. 1796. 1797. 1798. 1799. 1800. 1802. 1803. 1804. 1805. 1806. 1807. 1811. 1818.

(1824)

Asa Stickney.

Danvers to Boxford

" Danvers Dec. 7th 1824.

see page 11. 13.

Gentlemen — Asa Stickney and family inhabitants of your town have fallen into distress in this town and stand in need of help we have supplied them and shall charge the expence to your town from the 15th of Sept. and continue so to do untill you otherwise provide for them or order their removal.

Inclosed we send you a copy of the taxes he has paid in this town examined by Nathan Felton Clerk of the town of Danvers

Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the poor of the town of Boxford

Oliver Saunders } Chairman of the board of Overseers.

Paper inclosed — "I hereby certify that I have examined the record of taxes in the town of Danvers from the year 1794 to 1818 I find that Asa Stickney was taxed in the following years 1803. 1804. 1805 1806. 1807. 1808. 1809. 1810. and was abated for the following years - 1805. 1806. 1807. 1808 1809 all which appears on record

Signed Nathan Felton

Town Clerk."

For further information see page 11.

Asa Stickney.

Boxford to Danvers

Boxford June 4. 1825.

see page 11. 12.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Danvers.

Gentlemen— We find among the papers of the Overseers a letter from your town informing that Asa Stickney has become chargeable, and that you shall charge the expence to our town.— We hereby inform you that said Asa Stickney has no settlement in Boxford and we utterly refuse to pay any expence for his support after this date. If by ignorance or inattention of a former board of Overseers a debt is contracted which we are obliged to pay, after seeing it if there is no other objection we shall pay it, or what appears to be right without a lawsuit, but we cannot tell positively until you produce it.

The said Asa Stickney in our opinion gained a settlement in Beverly under the statute of 1789 c. 14. by possession of a freehold of the prescribed value for two years viz. 1791 & 1792 which you can see in their tax books, what he paid taxes for, which settlement he lost by gaining one in Danvers under the 12th rule of the Statute of 1793 c 34 and by the decision in the case — Andover vs. Chelmsford Mass. Rep. V. 16. page 236.

Yours Respectfully in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford,

John Bacon

Chairman.

The above was delivered to Jonas Warren June 18. 1825 by Frederick Johnson of Bradford.

For information respecting Asa Stickney see page 11th & 12th.

(1825.)

Mary Gould.

Danvers to Boxford

Danvers March 22. 1825.

Gentlemen — Mary Gould daughter of Samuel Gould and Mary (Peabody) his wife, inhabitants of your town has fallen into distress and become pregnant of a child likely to be born a bastard by (as she says one Benjamin Hughes of Lynnfield a minor who has absconded; but who is supposed by many to be not far distant and perhaps by due diligence be discovered and apprehended, but she has no efficient ~~friends~~ friends to be at the expence and trouble. — She is now at Mrs. Pattersons, near the Cotton Factory in this town. — Should the town of Danvers incur any expence on her account it will be charged to the town of Boxford

Yours Respectfully per order of the town.

Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford.

Andrew Nichols, one of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Danvers.

Another.

Rebecca Pattison to Boxford.

Danvers May 14. 1825.

Gentlemen — Mary Gould was confined May the 1st inst. she has a healthy boy but has been unable to meet the necessary expences — & I shall be under the necessity of looking to you to pay for her board &c, until she can provide for herself, or be otherwise provided for.

Addressed to Gent. Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of Boxford.

Yours &c,
Rebecca Pattison

Note — These letters were not answered as she is our proper poor. — The child is sworn before L. Thorndike Esq. — The fellows father lives in New York. & the young man cannot be found.

John Gould.

Salem to Boxford.

Salem April 21. 1825.

Gentlemen— John Gould aged about 32 years an inhabitant of your town has fallen into distress here, and stands in need of relief. We shall accordingly provide for him and charge the expence of his board &c, to your town, from the 9th. Instant at per week, during the time he shall continue here; he was committed to our Work house, by a Magistrate, for the term of two months.

see page 16. 17.

With respect, Yours &c, in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor for the town of Salem,

Joseph Beadle
Chairman.

The Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor for the town of Boxford.

P.S. the said John Gould is the son of Mr. John Gould, who we understand owned real Estate in your town, where he resided a number of years, and who removed from thence to* Greenfield in Newhampshire, a number of years since

* This was a mistake the place is S. Springfield N. H.

16. (1825)

John Gould

Boxford to Salem

Boxford June 4th 1825.

To the Overseers of the Poor of Salem,

see page 15. 17.

Gentlemen — We acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated April 21st 1825 wherein you state that "John Gould an inhabitant of our town has fallen into distress &c" and that "the said John Gould is son of a Mr. John Gould who removed from Boxford to Greenfield in New hampshire a number of years since." We have made diligent enquiry an can find no person of that description who ever removed from Boxford to Greenfield, nor can we find that any such person ever lived there. — If you can ascertain he has a settlement in Greenfield you will probably send him there by statute of 1793. c. 59. sec. 13.

As we can find no such person as you describe as belonging to us, we hereby give you notice that we shall pay no expence to the town of Salem, or any person for his support & we deny his settlement in Boxford.

Yours respectfully, in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford,

John Bacon
Chairman.

The above letter delivered to the Overseers of Salem June 18. 1825 by Larkin Thorndike Esq.

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John Gould.

Salem to Boston.

(1825)

Mary Bacon

Boxford	to		Bradford.

Mary Bacon.

Bradford to Boxford.

(1825)

Mary Bacon.

Boxford to Boston.

Boxford July 11th 1825.

To the Overseers of the Poor of Boston.

Gentlemen — Mary Bacon, a poor person who has a settlement in Boston, has become poor and chargeable and has been relieved by us for some time past. She is insane and is supported at a great expence, which we have charged to Boston, and shall continue to charge to Boston, untill you see fit to remove her, which we hope will be soon. She derives her settlement from her father William Bacon who gained a settlement in Boston by the statute of 1789 C. 14. sec. 1. by owning and occupying an estate of freehold of the clear annual income of three pounds for the space of two whole years — Reference may be had to the Register office, Boston for the ownership of the same.

Respectfully yours &c. in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford,

John Bacon
Chairman.

Note — William Bacon bought estate of Taylor and others Nov. 14. 1788 — Mortgaged the same estate the same day to Oliver Smith — Mortgage discharged Nov. 1791 — Bacon sold the estate 1792.

The above letter was delivered to the Overseers of the Poor of Boston Aug. 8. 1825 by John Bacon.
The Overseers of Boxford sent 2 letters to Boston dated Aug. 1822 and Dec. 1822. and were answered by Boston Feb. 26. 1823. in the negative.

Mary Smith.

Boxford to Rowley.

Boxford August 17. 1825.

To the Overseers of the Poor of Rowley.

Gentlemen.

In our letter of the 16th ult. we made a small mistake relative to ~~a small mistake in~~ the account ~~respecting~~ Mary Smith which we now rectify — The whole expense which Boxford has incurred for the support of Mary Smith is seventy nine dollars $\frac{25}{100}$ of which we have received of Newburyport twelve dollars $\frac{75}{100}$ leaving a balance due to Boxford of sixty six dollars $\frac{50}{100}$ which stands charged to your town.

Yours &c. In behalf of the Overseers of Boxford

John Bacon
Chairman

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(1825)

Anna Earty

Rowley to Boxford

Rowley Nov.r 9th 1825

Gentlemen Miss Anna Earty an inhabitant of your town has become chargeable to our town and we have charged the expence of her support to your town, and shall continue so to do untill you cause her to be removed, or otherwise provide for her.

We are Gentlemen, with sentiments of respect your Obt. Servants

Thomas Gauge } Per order
Overseers

Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers
of the Poor for the town of Boxford

(1825)

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Anna Easty

Bosford to Rowley

To the oversers of the Poor of the town of Rowley

Gentlemen We hereby inform you that Anna Easty whom you describe in your letter of the 9 of November 1825 is not an Inhabitant of this town, and has no legal Settlement therein; and that we utterly refuse to contribute any thing towards her support, or to remove her from your town, or to pay charges that have already accrued by her being supported at the expense of the town of Bosford

Dated at Bosford December th 8

AD 1825

Solomon Low } Chairman
Overseers

Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor for the town of Rowley

(1826)

Dinah

Andover to Boxford

"Gentlemen, Andover Decr 9 – 1826

Dinah Chadwick a coloured woman whose lawful settlement is in your town, is now in the town of Andover and has became chargable to said town, we therefore give you this notice that you may pay what expense we have or may be at on account of said Dinah, and remove or otherwise provide for her for she is chargable to the town of Boxford

Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

With much respect Benj. Jenkins Jr. Chairman of the Overseers of the Poor of Andover"

"P.S. Dinah Chadwick is about 67 years old and was slave to Deac. Thomas Chadwick of Boxford from four years old untill exempted by the Constitution Dinah is now living with her sister and has been allmost blind for some time, we have supplied her with half a cord of wood and should think that if they continue to live together all the charges that would be like to arise for a year will be for some wood this winter and probably the wood bill would be about $8 – if you think it will be for your interest to let her remain please to write for the poor Old Slaves would be pleased to live together

B. Jenkins Jun."

The above letter received Decr 17 – 1826

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Dinah

Boxford | to | Andover

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Andover

Boxford Feby. 7 1827

Gentlemen,

We acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated December 1826, wherein you state that „Dinah„ a coloured woman, has become chargeable &c, and whose settlement you aver is in our town; We disaver the settlement of said Dinah, as being in Boxford, consequently we shall refuse to pay any expense which has arisen, or that may hereafter arise on account of said Dinah. From what knowledge we have of her history, we think you would find no impediment in making her a state pauper, for the correctness of which opinion you are referred to the Massachusetts Reports Vol. 4 th page 128 also Vol. 16 page 74

Yours respectfully, in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Josiah Bornball Chairman

The above was delivered at the house of Jedediah Bornham by the subscriber Feby. 7 - 1827

(1827)

Martha Cole

Bradford to Boxford

To the Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford, Gentlemen,

You are hereby notified that Martha Cole wife of Benjamin Cole with four children now residing in the town of Bradford and has applied to the Overseers of the said town of Bradford for relief, and understanding that the legal settlement of the said Benjamin Cole is in the town of Boxford in the County of Essex you are therefore required to make immediate provision for the support of the said Martha and her Children, and remove them to said town of Boxford and pay the charges that have already accrued for their support which amount to seventeen dollars we shall continue to charge the expense to your town untill they are removed

Dated at Bradford this sixth day of February 1827

Joseph Day
Paul Hopkinson
Jon.a Bimball Jr.
} Overseers of the Poor of the town of Bradford

The above received Feby 8 1827

Martha Cole

Boxford to Bradford

To the overseers of the poor of Bradford
Gentlemen,

In your application of the 6th of Feb. to the Overseers of the poor of Boxford for the relief and removal of Martha Cole wife of Benjamin Cole and her four Children you state you understand that the legal settlement of said Benjamin is in Boxford in the County of Essex But it appears that said Benjamin has gained a legal settlement in the town of Bradford in the County aforesaid by the twelfth mode of the statute We therefore refuse to remove the said Martha and her children to Boxford or to pay any expense that has accrued by their being supported at the expense of the town of Bradford

per order Daniel Wood { one of the Overseers of the poor of Boxford

Boxford March 8-1827

(1827)

Widow of Jonathan Bigsby *

Stow to Bayford

"Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the poor of Bayford" The Widow Bigsby wife of Jonathan Bigsby * deceased whose legal settlement is supposed to be in your town is chargable to the town of Stow, this is to inform you that we have charged the expense that has arisen for her support to your town and shall continue to charge the same untill you cause her to be removed or otherwise provide for her support

With sentiments of respect we are Gentlemen your obedient servants

James B. Brown
John Gates
Oliver Gates Jun.
} Selectmen of Stow

Stow March 27-1827

* Bixby

The above received March 30-1827

(1827)

Widow of Jonathan Bigsby

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Boxford to Stow

To the overseers of the Poor of the town of Stow

Gentlemen we hereby inform you that the widow Bigsby wife of the late Jonathan Bigsby, whom you describe in your letter of the 27 of March last, is not an inhabitant of this town and has no legal settlement therein, and that we utterly refuse to contribute any thing towards her support or to remove her from your town, or to pay charges that have already accrued by her being supported at the expence of the town of Stow.

pr order, Samuel Clement } Chairman of the Overseers Poor of Boxford

Boxford May 21st 1827

The above letter was delivered to one of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Stow by the subscriber May 22nd 1827

30 (1827) Widow Judith Bixby

Stow to Boxford

Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor Boxford, Gentlemen – The widow Judith Bixby widow of the late Jonathan Bixby whose legal settlement is supposed to be in the Town of Boxford is now chargeable to the town of Stow, this is therefore notify you to cause her to be removed or otherways to pay the expence that has or may arise for her in Stow

Per order of the Selectmen of Stow

Stow June 28th 1827

James B. Brown
Chairman

The above received June 28th 1827

Widow Judith Bixby (1827) 31

Boxford to Stow

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Stow
Gentlemen — We hereby inform you that the widow Judith Bixby whom you describe in your letter of the 28th of June last ~~was~~ is not an inhabitant of this town and has no legal settlement therein; and that we utterly refuse to contribute any thing towards her support, or to remove her from your town, or to pay charges that have already accrued by her being at the expence of the town of Stow

Per order of the Overseer of the Poor of Boxford

Boxford July 25th 1827

Samuel W. Clement
Chairman

The above was sent by mail ~~August~~ Agust 6th 1827

Asa Stickney (1827)

Danvers to Boxford

Danvers June 16th 1827.

Overseers of the Poor, — Boxford

Gentlemen —— I wrote you this day by mail on behalf of the overseers ~~of this town~~ the Poor of this town - giving information of the death of Asa Stickney an inhabitant of your town - and the expence we have been at in his last sickness and burial - amounting to about eleven dollars - and and shall forward this by private conveyence that one or both may reach you in season which sum you are requested to repay — said Stickney was once acknowledged to be your pauper, and some part of a former account paid by you - since which, by an examination of the record of taxes in this town by your overseers they said he had paid 4 Town & County taxes and one highway tax: in which case we considered he would have been our in inhabitant - but we have recently examined our records of taxes thoroughly and find no part of only three years town County or State taxes was paid by Stickney two other were assessed on him and some years after abated on account of his property, consequently he can have paid only 4 taxes including the highways ——

on behalf of the overseers of this town

I remain Respectfully

Edw.d Southwick

Asa Stickney (1827)

Boxford to Danvers

Boxford August 13th 1827

To the overseers of the Poor of the Town of Danvers —
Gentlemen — We hereby inform you that Asa Stickney whom you describe of the 16th of June last, was not an inhabitant of this Town and had no legal settlement therein, we therefore utterly refuse to contribute any thing towards his support or to pay any part of the expence which has arisen by his last sickness and funeral charges, as to his being acknow=
=ledged our pauper he was not. it was only by negligence or in attention of a former board of over=
=seers that we incurred the expence of any part of his support

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Yours respectfully in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Samuel W Clement
Chairman

The above letter was left at the house of Edw.d Southwick August 14th by Thomas S. Avery

(1827).

Widow Judith Bixby

Stow to Boxford

To the Gentlemen Selectmen of Boxford

Gentlemen we received yours of the 25th of July last respecting the widow Bixby, and denying her haveing any settlement in your Town and consequently refuseing to reimburse to us the sum we have expended for her support, but Gentlemen you state no reason why you have come to a conclusion of this kind, at the times was at Boxford your principal or only reason was that she was not lawfully married but gentlemen, I have enclosed a certificate signed by the town Clerk of Montvernon which must convince you on that point beyond any reasonable doubt, it appears from your records, that Jonathan Bixby had a settlement in your town by parentage and by birth and consequently, Judith Bixby widow of the ~~late~~ said Jonathan must have the settlement of her late husband— at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Stow held on the 17th inst, the town ordered the Selectmen to commence an action against your town for the reimbursement of the sum which they have expended for her support, after waiting a reasonable time it will be our duty to comply with our instructions,

With sentiments of respect we remain gentlemen your obedient servants,

By order the selectmen of Stow

~~James Brown~~

James B. Brown Chairman

Stow Septr 18th 1827

Widow Judith Berry

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Children of Mary Gould

Danvers to Boxford

Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

On the 21st instant was taken into the Poorhouse in this town, three children viz. Peabody John and Ann, being the children of Mary Gould by Jedian Gowen, to whom she was married, when her husband, Gould was living, in consequence of which, her marriage with Gowen, was illegal, and the children illegitimate, and of course follow the settlement of the mother, which we consider to be in your town, and shall charge to you accordingly untill you take them from under our care which you are requested to do —

on behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Danvers,

Respectfully your Obt Edw. Putnam Chairman

Danvers

Your letter of 18th of August last was duly rec, and caused us to neglect giving you any further trouble on the Hickney account which would not have been done, had we not been told by a person living in the Neck district in this town, that Hickney had never paid but one highway tax in said district

E. S. Jr. order

Children of Mary Gould

Danvers to Boxford

Danvers Decr 10th 1827

Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

We wrote you by mail on the 24th ult giving the information of our having three children in our poor house, which we considered your inhabitants, viz, Peabody John & Ann, being the children of Mary Gould, under a reputed marriage with Gedion Gower, the said Marys former husband being then living - Peabody who is the oldest, has obtained a place within a few days where he might probably be bound out as an apprentice, we have been at a few dollars expence for clothing him - and at a small expence for clothing for the other two as they were verry destitute, which with their board, we shall continue to charge to your town while under our care

I remain in behalf of the Overseers of Danvers

Respectfully E. Southwick Chairman

Note - thes letters were not answered as these children were considered to be our proper poor

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Sarah Leach

Charlestown to Boxford

Charlestown Feby 4th 1828

Gentlemen

The widow Sarah Leach whom we suppose to be an inhabitant of Boxford, has become chargeable to us as a pauper, we have supplied her to some fire wood and charged the same to your town, we request you to pay the same and remove her, the father of the said widow was Nehemiah Porter who was a native of Boxford, as was his father also, he removed to Andover upwards of 50 years ago and died there upwards of 34, ago - which was before any law existed which would transfer his settlement from that of his father,

We understand that he was a cooper by occupation, The said widow has ~~several~~ two children of sufficient age to begin to support themselves — that is they may be put out, She seems a worthy industrious woman and asks nothing more at present than a little wood

In behalf & by order of the Overseers of the Poor

Wm Holden Chairman

Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Note, said widow married an alien & of course follows her fathers settlement

Sarah Leach

Charlestown to Boxford

~~To the Overseers of the Poor of Charle~~

Charlestown February 22nd 1828

Gentlemen,

We notified you on the 4th instant that the widow Sarah Leach was chargeable &c we were led into a mistake, so far as her being a widow her husband is living, but his conduct to his family is outrageous, and they are necessarily chargeable.

Her father Nehemiah Porter was born in Boxford and removed to Andover say 50 years ago, and as he died there before the law could give a legal settlement, we presume his daughter, the said Sarah, whose husband is an alien, has a settlement in your town. We request you gentlemen to remove said Sarah and pay us the expences we have incurred on her account, which is about $9.00

Yours very respectfully — By order & in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor

O Fosdick Chairman

Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor Boxford

Title the above letters were received March 4th 1828

Sarah Leach

Boxford to Charlestown

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Charlestown
Gentlemen We hereby inform you that Sarah Leach whom you describe in your letters of the 4th and 22nd of February, is not an inhabitant of this town, and has no legal settlement therein; and that we utterly refuse to contribute any thing towards her support, or to remove her from your town or to pay charges that have already accrued by her being supported at the expence of the town of Charlestown —
as it respects the settlement of Nehemiah Porter the father of Mrs Leach, we have no doubt of his gaining a settlement in Andover, under the statute of 1789. by the possession of real estate

Yours respectfully
In behalf and by order of the Overseers of the Poor Samuel B. Clement Chairman

Boxford March 24th 1828

Note - the above letter was delivered to one of the Overseers of the Poor of Charlestown by Moses Bradbeck March 28th 1828

42 Charles Warren

Topsfield To Boxford

Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the poor of the town of Boxford — Gentlemen

You are hereby notified that Charles Warren now residing in the town of Topsfield hath fallen into distress and has applied to the Overseers of said town of Topsfield for relief the legal settlement of the said Charles being in the town of Boxford — you are hereby required to make immediate provision for the support of the said Charles and remove him to said town of Boxford and pay the charges that have already accrued for his support — ~~as have~~ we shall be continue to charge the expence to your town untill he is removed or other wise provided for

Yours,
John Peck Jun

for order of the
Overseers of Topsfield

Fanna Saunders

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Charlestown to Boxford

Charlestown October 18.. 1828

Gentlemen Selectmen or overseers of the poor of the town of Boxford

Fanna. the daughter of Joel Saunders. as an inhabitant of your town. has again become chargable to this town as a pauper. We have charged the expence of her support to your town. and shall continue so to do until you shall cause her removal or provide for her in some other way

With much respect.

~~With much respect~~ To the selectmen or overseers of the poor of the town of Boxford

by order of the Overseers of the poor

O. Holden { Chairman

P.S. - By recurrence to your letter in 1814 we find your denial of the settlement of the said Joel was upon the ground of his sale to an inhabitant of Bradford — They deny the fact of the sale - of course, we presume you had no other objection to offer - and as the said Fanna is likely to continue very chargable (being extremely lazy) and as she has no settlement here. we shall be necessitated to have a decision in regard to the question of her legal inhabitancy which we wish, as far, to accomplish pacifically and to mutual satisfaction

The above receivi October 25 - 1828

Fanna Saunders

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Bxford to Charlestown

To the overseers of the poor of the town of Charlestown Gentlemen

We here inform you that Joel Saunders father of Fanna, Disarbed in your letter of the 18th of October is not an inhabitant of this town and has no legal settlement therein. and that we utterly refuse to contribute any thing towards her support or to remove her from your town. or to pay charges that have already accrued by her being supported at the expence of the town of Charlestown.

Yours Respectfully
In behalf and by order of the overseers of the poor Samuel W Clement

Bxford Decr 1st 1828

P.S. You mention in your letter that Bradford denys the fact of Joel Saunders being owned by an inhabitant of that town We are of opinion that the fact be substantiated, therefore we hold that his settlement is not in Bxford

(1830)
Widow Rhoda Cole

Haverhill to Boxford

Haverhill March 1st 1830

Gentlemen

You are hereby notified that Rhoda Cole now residing in Haverhill has become chargeable to the town and has been supported by the Overseers of the Poor since the 27th of January last, And understanding that her legal settlement is in the town of Boxford. You are hereby requested to make provision for the support of said Rhoda and remove her to the town of Boxford and pay the charges which have already accrued for her support which amount to five dollars, we shall charge the expence to your town untill her removal, Respectfully Yours

James H Duncan } Chairman Overseers of Poor of Haverhill

To the Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Said Rhoda is an aged woman, was the wife of Phineas Cole who left a large family some years in Boxford as he says, and removed to Topsham Me, her first Husband was a Buswell of Bradford

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George Morgan

Boxford to Salem

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Salem

Gentlemen — You are hereby notified that George Morgan, who hath his legal settlement in Salem, is now residing in, and is chargeable to the town of Boxford. You are hereby required to make immediate provision for the support of the said George Morgan, and remove him to said town of Salem as we shall continue to charge the expence of his support to your town until he is removed.

Yours &c.

Thomas S. Hovey } Chairman of Overseers of Poor &c.

Boxford August 24th 1831.

The above was sent by mail August 24th 1831.

Stephen Tessions

Bradford to Boxford

Bradford Dec. 7th 1831

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Gentlemen You are hereby notified that Stephen Tessions now residing in the town of Bradford has applied to the Overseers of this town for relief and understanding that his legal settlement of the said Tessions is in the town of Boxford in the county of Essex, you are hereby required to make immediate provision for the support of the said Tessions and remove him to said town of Boxford and pay the charges that have already accrued for his support (which will probably amount to two or three dollars.) We shall continue to charge the expence to your town until he is removed.

Respectfully yours &c.

Benjamin Parker Jr.
Chairman of Overseers
of Bradford.

This letter was received Dec. 5th 1831.

John H. Friend

Boxford to Dracut

Boxford March 15th 1832

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Dracut.

Gentlemen, — You are hereby notified that John H. Friend, lately died in Boxford and was buried by and under the direction of the Overseers of the Poor of said Boxford and understanding that the legal settlement of the said John H. Friend, was in the town of Dracut in the County of Middlesex, You are hereby required to pay the expense incurred by his interment which amounts to seventeen dollars and forty five cents.

Respectfully yours, &c.
per Order
Thomas J. Story Chairman
of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford.

The above was sent by mail March 17th 1832.

Elizabeth Cross Ford alias Boyce

Bonford

To Dorsers

Bonford April 12th 1832

To the gentlemen Burgesses of the town of Dorsers

Gentlemen

You are hereby notified that a person calling herself Elizabeth Cross Ford has become chargeable to the town of Bonford or has been so since the 1st inst. She says that her father resides in Dorsers and that his name is Dennis Ford. And that she was born in Dorsers therefore we address that her legal settlement is in Dorsers and we shall therefore charge the expense of her support to your town until you cause her removal. The said Elizabeth says that she is about seventeen years old. Has seven brothers and two sisters. Her father is a shoemaker by trade. Has a person of his name Taylor &c. Says that Elizabeth Taylor is her uncle who she says lives on the marshes of Thornbe

Yours respectfully
Jeremiah Thomas Dorsers
Overseer of the Poor of the Town of Bonford

NB The above named Elizabeth Ford is perfectly disengaged

Please cause her removal as soon as may be for she may be found daily present to your house in Bonford

J Dorsers

The above sent by mail April 12th 1832

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Daniel Chase

Boston Charlestown

Sept. Dec. 24th 1832.

Gentlemen You are hereby notified that Daniel Chase now residing in Boston has become chargeable to the town of Boston which has been supplied by the Overseers of the Poor since the 9th of December and continuing that his legal settlement is in the town of Charlestown. You are therefore requested to make provision for the support of the said Daniel and remove him to your town and pay the charges that have already accrued for his support which amount to one dollar and fifty cents. We shall continue to charge the expense of his support to your town till he is removed.

Yours in behalf of the Selectmen

Overseers of the Poor of Charlestown Thos Tomney Overseers of the Poor of Boston

Thos K. Hall Selectmen of Boston

Said Daniel is probably about thirty years of age and a shoemaker by trade

Sidney Eaton

Boston to Boxford.

Office of the directors of the house of industry
Faneuil Hall.
Boston Jany. 17. 1834.

To the overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford
Gentlemen

Sidney Eaton (Colrd) 24. A pauper, belonging to your town came into the house of Industry, in this City, on the 22d of November and we change his support to your town, and shall continue to do so, until he is removed or otherwise provided for.

With respect Gentlemen, your Obedient Servant

Jas. Lewis. } one of said Directors

His father an Alien — Mothers maiden name was Eliza Peabody daughter of Nathan Peabody, of your town.

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Sidney Eaton

Boxford to Boston

Boxford Feb. 8th 1834.

To the directors of the house of industry Faneuil Hall Boston.

Gentlemen We hereby inform you that Sidney Eaton whom you describe in your Letter of January 17. 1834. is not an inhabitant of the town of Boxford, and has no Legal settlement therein neither derivative or otherwise, and that we utterly refuse to contribute any thing towards his support or to remove him from your City, or pay any charges that have already accrued for his support in the City of Boston.

Yours Respectfully. In behalf of the Overseers of the poor in the town of Boxford.

Amos Kimball Chairman

Nathan Peabody whom you name of Boxford belonged by settlement we believe in Boston.

The above Mailed Feb. 8th & postage paid.

Mary Chadwick & Child

Gentlemen, We have been applied to and have given support to Mary Chadwick, who as we are informed is a native of Boxford, you are requested to provide for her support or take her away, immediately.

Respectfully yrs. &c.

Windsor Howe } Overseers of Poor
George Brown } of Newbury

Newbury Decbr 9. 1833.

1833. December 28. The above named Mary Chadwick removed from Newbury to Boxford & Charge said $2.47 & placed with Charles Carleton @ $1.25 per week —

Gentlemen, you are hereby notified that Frederick Warren Chadwick a son of Mary Chadwick, who has a Legal settlement in Boxford is now at my house, and in consequence of the said Mary's having neglected to provide for him, is become Chargable to the town. You are hereby required to make immediate provision for the said Frederick Warren Chadwick, and to pay the charges that have already accrued for his support which amount $4.75 & shall continue to charge the expence to the time until he is provided for —

Dated at Boxford this 23d day of December 1833.

Seth Burnham

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Reid Pike & Humphrey T. Parker

Boxford to Newburyport

Boxford Nov 13 1834

To the gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of the town of Newburyport

You are hereby notified that a family by the name of Parker (viz Reid Pike Parker and Humphrey T. Parker) has made application to the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford for assistance we shall from this date provide for them and charge the expense to your town understanding that their legal settlement under Mark Parker the father of said Pike and father of said Humphrey is in Newburyport until you cause their removal or otherwise provide for them

Per order Thos Sergent Chairman of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

PS Mark Parker was a minister son of Thomas Parker of your town The family probably with very little assistance may be able to get through the winter the widow is now sick with a fever and the young man Humphrey is thought to be consumptive by the neighbors he is not however at present able to do any labour probably a little assistance immediately would save a heavy expense if neglected

Thos Sergent

Sent by mail Nov 14 1834

Mrs Mary Rea

Charlestown to Boxford

Charlestown Oct 31 1835

Gentlemen

We are called on to assist Mrs Mary Rea whose legal settlement is in the Town of Boxford we charge your Town for such supplies as we may furnish and shall continue to charge until she is otherwise provided for

Respectfully
In behalf of the Overseers of Poor
James K. Frothingham Chairman

Overseers of the Poor
Town of Boxford

Mrs Rea is the Widow of Joshua Rea who lived in Boxford a Farmer and died about 30 years ago she is about 80 years of age and left Boxford about 15 years since she is with her son in law Gotham Barry who has suffered severely by the late fire and feels unable to provide for her if some partial support could be allowed her by your Town he would prefer to keep her in his family Please inform us on the subject

Boxford November 13. 1835

Gentlemen we received your letter of the 31st of October in which you state that Mrs. Mary Rea has become chargeable to your town & you further state that her son in Law Mr Barry would prefer to keep her if some partial support could be allowed by our town, We are willing that Mr Barry should keep her if he will on reasonable terms, we will pay him one dollar per week until the first of January next when our Representative will be at the City who will then make some further arrangement respecting her support, If you will see Mr Barry and make an agreement with him if possible on the above terms, or at a less price per week you will much oblige us. If Mr Barry will not accept our terms please inform us by mail

Yours in behalf of the Overseers of the poor of Boxford

Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor Charlestown

Amos Kimball Chairman

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E. M. Stevens & family

Boxford to Newburyport

Gentlemen & Selectmen are Overseers of the Poor of Newburyport – You are hereby notified that a family by name of Stevens, the husband and father of whome is in jail, I believe in your town, has made application to the Overseers of the poor of the town of Boxford, for assistance and have been assisted both in fuel and a few necessaries such as Tea – Coffee flour &c to the amount of seven dollars or about that sum. She says their legal settlement is in your town. We shall continue to provide for the family at present and charge the ~~[illegible]~~ expence to your town unless they are removed or otherwise provided for. Respectfully yours &c

Amos Kimball } Chairman of Overseers of Boxford –

This family I think will need but little assistance except for fuel, she being very industrious and able. A communication from you directed to ~~the subs~~ West Boxford would be gladly received.

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Samuel Farnham & family

Boxford — to — Andover

To the Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor of the town of Andover

You are hereby notified, that Samuel Farnham now residing in the town of Boxford, has applied to the Overseers of the town of Boxford for relief and assistance, and we have furnished him with some assistance and necessaries since the 10th Inst. Understanding that his legal settlement is in the town of Andover in Essex County, you are hereby required to make immediate provision for the support of said Farnham and family, or remove them to said town of Andover and pay the charges that have already arisen for his support, which are from two to three dollars. We shall continue to charge the expence of said family to said town until you otherwise provide for them

Boxford March 28. 1836. Respectfully yours &c —

Amos Kimball } Chairman of Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

N.B. The above named family consists of Mr. Farnham his wife and one child, that is from two to three years of age. The wife, at present is feeble, and all pretty destitute. — A Kimball.

The above Letter delivered to one of the overseers of Andover March 29. 1836 —

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John Robinson

Boxford to Westford.

Boxford March 30. 1836

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Westford

Gentlemen,

John Robinson, who we believe, has a legal settlement in your town, has become chargeable to this town. He is residing among us, is rather crazy, and at present rather bad to take care of. You are hereby notified to remove said John, or otherwise to provide for him; as we shall charge the expense of taking care of him to your town untill he is removed, which latter course I think might be for his advantage. Said Robinson may be fifty five or Sixty years of age.

Respectfully yours &c.

Amos Kimball } Chairman of Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

The above Letter was mailed in West Boxford Post Office March 30. 1836-

Mary Rea

Charlestown	&	Boxford

Charlestown April 28th 1836

Gentlemen

Mr Berry has recently spoken to us about the situation of Mrs Rea she still remains in his family - when the Gentlemen from your Town settled with us the expenses to March 12th it was agreed with him that Mr Berry should take care of her at the same rate ($2,50 per week) until he returned home when it was probable we should hear from you - having heard nothing further on the subject we expect the same rate of support continues - probably the same amount may not be required much longer as she is getting better

Respectfully

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor

James R Frothingham Chairman

Overseers of the Poor
Town of Boxford

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John Robinson

Bonford to Westford

Bonford Nov 7th 1836

To the Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Westford

Gentlemen John Robinson whose legal settlement we understand is in your town has become chargeable to the Town of Bonford you are hereby notified to remove said Robinson or to make immediate provision for his support we shall charge the expense of his support from this date to your town until his removal

we wrote you upon the above subject March 30th 1836 but have not received any answer

Said Robinson is about fifty five or sixty years of age is deranged or crazy and will probably be very expensive through the winter would certainly be so in Bonford as we have no alms house

Respectfully your

By Order of the Overseers of the Poor of Bonford

Moses Dorman Jr Chairman

Mailed in Bonford Nov 10 1836 postage paid by Amiel Dorman

Robinson taken away by Westford Nov 16 and charged 1.42 pd

John Spofford Adams

Boston to Bonford

Office of Overseers of House of Correction
City Hall

Boston Dec. 5th 1836

To the Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Bonford

Gentlemen

John Spofford Adams age 45 yrs having a lawful settlement in the Town of Bonford has been committed to the House of Correction within this City by due course of law for the term of 2 months from 8th ultimo under the act "for suppressing and punishing of rogues vagabonds common beggars and other idle disorderly and lewd persons".

The expenses of his support will be charged to the Town of Bonford

In behalf of the Overseers of the House of Correction of City of Boston

Respectfully

Your Obt servant

Billings Briggs } One of said Overseers

Fathers name David Adams a Farmer
Mothers maiden name - Phebe Spofford
J S Adams is a Stone layer

John Shofford Adams

Bonford to Boston

Bonford Dec 20th 1836

To the Gentlemen Overseers of the House of Correction of City of Boston

Gentlemen

We received your letter of the 5th instant respecting John Shofford Adams whose lawful settlement (you ever) is in the Town of Bonford which we deny as no such person was ever born or ever has resided in Bonford for the last sixty years We utterly refuse to contribute any thing for defraying the expense which has arisen or may arise for the support of said John Shofford Adams

Respecting the lawful settlement of said John S. Adams if he is the person we suppose him to be - he was probably born in Rindge N.H. - He formerly kept an extensive victualing Cellar in the City of Boston and no doubt was taxed in your City and thereby gained a lawful settlement therein - as to the Father Daniel Adams and mother Phebe Shofford Adams - we state that Daniel Adams removed from Bonford or the vicinity to Rindge N.H. at about the commencement of the Revolutionary war his wife we know nothing of —

Overseers House Correction Boston } Respectfully Yours In behalf of the Overseers of the poor of the Town of Bonford

Moses Dorman Jr Chairman of said Overseers

Mailed at Ipswich and postage paid Dec 21st 1836
Leg 121 Dorman Jr

Enoch Stevens

Boxford to Newburyport

To the gentlemen Overseers of the Poor of the town of Newburyport — You are hereby notified that Enoch Stevens and family now residing in the town of Boxford, whose legal settlement is in your town has applied to the Overseers of the town of Boxford for relief and assistance, and we have furnished him with provisions since June 29th to the amount of seven dollars which we have charged to your town. We shall supply them at present with what is necessary and charge the expences to your town unless they are otherwise provided for.

Respectfully Yours &c.

Boxford August 23d 1837

Joshua T. Fay } Chairman of Overseers of Poor

Mary Chadwick

Gloucester to Boxford

Gloucester Oct 12th/1837

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford.

Gentlemen,

Mary Chadwick whose legal settlement is in your town, but now residing this town, being in needy circumstances, she applied to this Board for relief, which we have granted, and charged to your town, and shall continue to do so, untill you remove or otherwise provide for her support.

In behalf of the Overseers of the town of Gloucester.

With respect, Gentlemen

Your Obt Servant,

John Webber } Chairman of said Overseers

P.S. Mary Chadwick is about forty eight years old, and she informs us that she was brought up untill eighteen years old by Moses Chadwick of Boxford, she is now in our Almshouse.

Mary Chadwick

Boxford to Gloucester

Boxford Oct. 27th 1837

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Gloucester

Gentlemen, We recieved your letter of the 12th Oct. in which you state that Mary Chadwick has applied to you for relief. As it will not be convenient for us to remove her at present, we wish you to write us what assistance she will be likely to need and at what price you can furnish it per week.

Respectfully,

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor

Joshua T. Day } Chairman of the Overseers of the Poor.

William Lewis

Boston to Andover

Decr. 9th 1837

To the Overseers of the Poor of Andover

Gentlemen

you are hereby notified that William Lewis now residing in the town of Boston has applied to the overseers of said town for relief, and understanding that the legal settlement of said William is in the town of Andover you are hereby required to make immediate provision for the support of the said William and accordingly the town of Andover are to pay the charges that have already accrued for his support which is sixteen dollars. We shall continue to defray the expense of your town until he is removed

Respectfully yours
Samuel Trimble } one of the overseers of the poor of Boston

Andover to Boston

To the overseers of the poor of the town of Boston

Gentlemen

yours of the 11th of December was duly received alleging William Lewis to be chargeable to the town of Boston and to be an inhabitant of the town of Andover and liable to our town. We shall refuse to pay any charges on account of said William Lewis and further that he is a foreigner which renders him of course not an inhabitant of our town

Respectfully yours
by order of the overseers of the poor of Andover
Jno. E. Abbot

William Lewis

Boxford to Andover.

Feb 15th 1838

Called on one of the Overseers of the poor of the Town of Andover Mr Henry Osgood and informed him that we were still supporting Wm. Lewis and charging the expense to their town as we considered he had a settlement in Andover derived from his grandfather - Joshua White. And requested them to cause him to be removed as we should continue to charge the expense to their town

Joshua T. Day
One of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Andover to Boxford

Andover Feb 21st 1838

To the the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Gentlemen

We would inform you that Joshua White paid taxes in this town a number of years - but was never naturalized therefore never gained any residence in this town

Respectfully yours
Per order of the Overseers of the Poor of Andover
Jos. T. Abbot
one of said Overseers

1839

Elizabeth Bacon

Messrs Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Gentlemen

Elizabeth Bacon whose legal Settlement is in Boxford is now in Lunenburg and is in necessitous circumstances has called upon us for relief which we have furnished and charge the expense to the Inhabitants of Boxford which we shall continue to do until you shall remove or otherwise provide for her support, which you are respectfuly are requested to do

To the Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

By order of the board of Overseers of the Poor of Lunenburg
Aaron Bard } Chairman of said board

Lunenburg Oct. 14th 1839

P.S. Elizabeth Bacon was an illegitimate child of Sarah Bacon daughter of Cactine Bacon who owned real estate (either by himself of wife) in the town of Boxford. he bought real estate in New Ipswich New hampshire in the spring of 1767 and probably moved there about that time

Boxford to Lunenburg

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the town of Lunenburg

Gentlemen

We hereby inform you that Elizabeth Bacon whom you describe in your letter of the 15th of Oct is not an inhabitant of this town, and has no legal settlement therein, and that we utterly refuse to contribute any thing towards her support, or to remove her from your town, or to pay charges that have already accrued by her being supported at the expense of the town of Lunenburg.

Dated at Boxford this 2d Day of Nov. A.D. 1839

By order of the board of Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Joshua T. Day Chairman of said board

To the Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of Lunenburg

The above letter was sent by mail Nov 2d 1839

Lydia Daniels alias Deland

Boxford to Danvers

Boxford July 9th 1840

To the Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Danvers

You are hereby notified that Lydia Daniels alias Deland has lately viz. on the 22nd day of April last died in Boxford and the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford were under the necessity of paying the expense of the funeral charges and a Physician the amount of the whole being nine dollars as the legal settlement of said Lydia was in your Town You are hereby requested to pay the same to the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford as soon as may be

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Moses Gorman Jr Chairman

The above named Lydia was a daughter of Joseph Deland who formerly resided in Danvers. at the time of her decease she was residing with one Washington Daniels who says that he was married to her in Providence but cannot tell by whom, and the general belief is that they were never married - be that as it may it will not make any difference to Danvers as Daniels has no settlement in this State

W D Jr

Mailed & postage paid at Boxford July 9th 1840

Lydia Daniels 77.

Boxford to Middleton

Boxford July 9th 1840

To the Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Middleton

You are hereby notified that Lydia Daniels (wife of Washington Daniels an inhabitant of your Town) has lately viz on the 22nd day of April last died in Boxford, and the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford were under the necessity of paying the funeral charges and a Physician amounting in the whole to nine dollars, which sum you are hereby requested to pay to the overseers of Boxford as soon as may be

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Moses Gorman Jr Chairman
of said Overseers

Mailed and postage paid at Boxford July 9th 1840

Middleton To Boxford

Middleton July 27th 1840

To the Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

You are hereby notified that Washington Daniels has not any settlement in the Town of Middleton therefore we shall not pay any charges for him Yours respectfully

Jeremiah Richardson
Chairman of the Overseers of the Poor

Recd July 29th 1840

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Sarah How

Boxford to Ipswich

To the Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Ipswich —
Sarah How widow of Abraham How dec^d whose legal settlement is in your town has become chargeable to the town of Boxford you are hereby notified that we shall charge the expense of her support to your town until you cause her removed or otherwise provide for her support — Yours Respectfully

Per Order Moses Dorman Jr Chairman
of the overseers of the poor of Boxford

A son of Mrs How with whom she resides would probably do something towards her support — would rather bear a considerable part of the expense than to be parted from her in her present infirmity M D Jr —

Mailed and Postage paid, at North Danvers April 21st 1842

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Abigail M. Gould wife of Moses A Gould & two children

Andover To Boxford

Andover October 7th 1842

To the Gentlemen, Overseers of the poor of the town of Boxford

Gentlemen Moses A Gould son of Samuel Gould whose legal settlement is in Boxford has been residing in Andover & has left his family — his wife Abigail M. Gould & two children, Benjamin Gould and Samuel Gould in destitute circumstances, they have applied to the Overseers of the poor of the town of Andover for assistance which we have granted and ~~[illegible]~~ charged the same to the town of Boxford we shall continue to supply them and shall charge the expense to your town untill you remove them or otherwise provide for their support

In behalf of the Overseers of the poor of the town of Andover I am Gentlemen with much respect Your Obt Servt

Sam Johnson jr Chairman of said Overseers of Poor

NB The family are now residing near Jacob Berrys we shall remove them soon to our Almshouse unless you remove them to Boxford S Johnson jr

Recd Oct 8 —

Daniel Knight

Boxford to Salem

Boxford Nov 14 1842

Gentlemen

Daniel Knight aged about 66 yrs whose legal settlement is in your City has become chargeable to the Town of Boxford we shall charge the expense of his support to your City until you cause his removal or otherwise provide for him which you are requested to do immediately – Knight is a cripple as you are probably aware, Capt J. Kimball with whom he now resides made complaint to the Overseers of Boxford this day and stated that he had written to you upon the subject but had received no answer

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford I am with much respect Yrs &c

Moses Dorman Jr Chairman

Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor of the City of Salem

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Joseph S. Tyler

Ipswich vs Boxford

House of Correction for the County of Essex

Ipswich Nov 19th 1842

To the Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen

Joseph S. Tyler age 6y having a lawful settlement in the Town of Boxford has been committed to the House of Correction at Ipswich in the County of Essex by due course of law for the term of six months from Augt 17th 1842 This is to notify you that the expense of his support will be charged to the Town of Boxford

In behalf of the Overseers of said House
Respectfully your obt servt

Ira Worcester Master of said House

Recd Nov 23rd 1842

Paid by M Dorman for Dec 6 1842. $9-43

George Wilkes and Family

Newbury to Boxford

Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Newbury Nov. 20th 1842

We give you notice that George Wilkes and Wife & 3 Children have become Chargeable to the Town of Newbury their habitancy being in your Town, we have charged the expence to your Town and shall continue to charge untill you remove or otherwise provide for them.

Yours with respect Daniel Colman for order of the Overseers of the poor of Newbury

Recd by mail Dec 7th

George Wildes and Family

Boxford To Newbury

Boxford Decr 8th 1842

To the Gentlemen Selectmen
or Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Newbury

Gentlemen

We received your letter of the 20th of Nov. in which you state that George Wildes and wife and 3 children have become chargable to your Town, and whose habitancy you aver is in the Town of Boxford &c. We deny the habitancy of any such persons and positively refuse to provide or contribute any thing towards their support or maintenance

With much respect
Yrs &c
Per order Moses Dorman Jr Chairman
of the Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Boxford

If the above George Wildes was son of Ezra Wildes (which I think probable, from my knowledge of the family of said Ezra) his legal settlement (unless he has gained one of his own) is probably in the Town of Topsfield under his Grandfather Zebulon Wildes - I presume that Ezra Wildes never gained a settlement of his own from the best information that I have upon the subject

M. Dorman Jr

Mailed at Boxford & postage paid Decr 8th 1842
M Dorman Jr

Mark B. Currier

Boxford to Newburyport
Boxford Oct 21st 1843

Overseers of the Poor
Newburyport

Gentlemen,

Mark B. Currier whose legal settlement is in your town, being in this town and in needy circumstances has applied to this board for relief, which we have granted and charged the same to you and shall continue so to do, untill you remove or otherwise provide for him

Yours in haste
Per order of board of Overseers of Poor
Joshua T. Day } One of said
} Overseers

P.S. The amount of expense upto this date is one dollar J. T. Day

Mailed at West Boxford Oct. 21st 1843 and postage paid Joshua T. Day

Moses Gould & Wife & Three Children

Lynn To Boxford Lynn Jany 3rd 1845

To the Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Boxford

Moses Gould with his wife and three children whose legal settlement is in your Town, but now residing in Lynn are in needy circumstances and application has been made to this Board for relief which has been granted and charged to your Town, and we shall continue to relieve them at your expense till they shall be removed or otherwise provided for. Mrs Gould is very sick and needs considerable assistance

We have furnished them with Firewood and supplied them with two dollars pr week since the 3d of December last and also provided Medicine & Medical attendance which will also be charged to your Town

By order of the Overseers of the Poor of Lynn

Yours respectfully

Thomas Bowler Chairman

Kindly mail Jany 6th 1845

Annis Spiller

Boxford to Rowley

Boxford Jany 31st 1845

To the Overseers of the
Poor of the Town of Rowley

Gentlemen

Annis Spiller widow of Samuel Spiller aged eighty years has fallen into distress here and application has this day been made to the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford to provide for her and understanding that her legal settlement is in your Town we shall provide for her and charge the expense to your Town until you remove her or otherwise provide for her support
She is now very sick and will not probably live but a short time

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor
of Boxford

Moses Dorman Jr
Chairman

Mailed at Boxford — and postage paid
Jany 31st 1845
M Dorman Jr

Joanna Woodbury &c

Bradford To Boxford

To the overseers of the Poore of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen

Your are hearby notified that Joanna Woodbury wife of John Woodbury and William & George C. Woodbury now residering in the Town of Bradford, hath become Poore, and has applied to the overseers of the said Town of Bradford for relief and we understand that their Legal Settlement of the said Joanna & Wm. & George C. Woodbury is in the Town of Boxford, You are hearby requested to make immediate provision for the support of the said Joanna & Wm & George C. Woodbury and remove them to said Town of Boxford and pay the Charges that have already accured for their support, we shall continue to charge the expence to your Town untill removed. Bradford February 17th 1845

Richard Hazeltine one of the overseers of the Town of Bradford

NB Joanna Woodbury is the Late wife of Stephen Hovey deceased, Son of John Hovey

True Record

Received by Mail Feby 19th 1845

Joanna Woodbury,

Boxford to Bradford

To the Overseers of the Poor of Bradford

Boxford July 19th 1845

Gentlemen

we received your letter of the 17th inst in which you state that Joanna Woodbury the wife of John Woodbury and William and George C. Woodbury, has become chargeable to your Town &c and whose legal settlement you aver is in our Town, which we deny and utterly refuse to contribute anything towards her support Undoubtedly if she ever married as your letter implies she will follow the settlement of her living husband rather than the deadone

Yours respectfully

Per order Moses Dorman Jr Chairman

of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Mailed & postage Paid at West Boxford July 19. by WDP

Bradford to Boxford

To the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Bradford July 24 1845

Gentlemen

we received your letter of the 19th inst in which you state that Joanna Woodbury wife of John Woodbury has no settlement in your Town and will follow the settlement of her living husband rather than the deadone, John Woodbury has not gained a settlement in this Commonwealth therefore Joanna Wm & George C. Woodbury's settlement is in your Town

Yours Respectfully Per order

Richard Hazeltine Chairman of the Overseers of the Poor of Bradford

PS John Woodbury is from Bow. N.H.

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Hannah Reynolds

Charlestown to Bosford

Charlestown March 31 1844

Gentlemen

Mrs Hannah Reynolds residing in this Town that whose lawful settlement is in the Town of Bosford has applied to us for assistance which we have rendered and charge your Town for supplies furnished and shall continue so to charge for further needed assistance untill she shall be otherwise provided for

Respectfully

In behalf of the overseers of the Poor
James K. Frothingham Chairman

Overseers of the Poor
Town of Bosford

Mrs Reynolds is the same person of whome we notified you March 21th 1844

Hannah Reynolds

Boxford to Charlestown

Boxford April 19th 1845

To the Overseers of the
Poor of Charlestown

Gentlemen

We received your letter of the 31st of March respecting Mrs Hannah Reynolds whose settlement you aver is in the Town of Boxford which we deny and positively refuse to contribute any thing towards her support

Respectfully
in behalf of the
Overseers of the Poor of
Boxford
Moses Bowman jr Chairman

The settlement of Mrs Reynolds is undoubtedly in the Town of Bradford as her Husband lived in Bradford eleven years in succession previous to his removing to the West

M B jr

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Joseph Gliddon

Boxford to Salem

To the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Salem

Gentlemen

Joseph Gliddon whose legal settlement is in your City has become chargeable to the town of Boxford, you are hereby notified that we shall charge the expense of his support to your City until you remove, or otherwise provide for his support

Yours Respectfully
Per order of the Overseers of the
Poor of Boxford
Joshua T Day Chairman

Boxford Sept 27 1845

P.S. Joseph Gliddon came from New Hampshire and lived at Salem at the time of the last war and was possessed of some property, For further particulars enquire of Frazier Carleton of your City

Joshua T Day

Mailed and postage paid at
Boxford Sept 29th 1845 by A Dorman

Betsy Hewitt 87

Boxford to Ipswich

Overseers of the Poor of the town of Ipswich

Gentlemen

Betsy Hewitt residing in this town but whose lawful settlement is in the town of Ipswich being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged the expense to your town and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for her support.

Boxford Oct 1st 1845. Yours with respect

Joshua T Day } Overseers
Anall Dorman } of the Poor of Boxford

Mailed at Boxford and postage paid 1st Anall Dorman

R.O.

Elisabeth Kimball
Boxford to Newburyport

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Newburyport Gentlemen

Elisabeth Kimball widow of Moses Kimball, whose lawful settlement is in your town, is now residing with her daughter in this town in needy circumstances and has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged the expense to your town, and we shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for her support.

Yours, Respectfully
By order of the overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Boxford January 6, 1846 Ancill Dorman } One of the Overseers

N.B. Mrs Locke, the daughter above alluded to applied to us Dec 22d, we furnished at her request a load of wood and she expressed the belief that she could get through the winter without further assistance

Ancill Dorman

James M. Dresser.
Georgetown to Boxford

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Gent. James M. Dresser whose legal settlement is in your Town but now residing in this town being in needy circumstances and sick at the house of Benjn Minter who has applied to this board for his support which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for his support.

For & in behalf of the overseers of the Poor of the Town of Georgetown

Georgetown Feb. 28th 1846

with respect Gent
Your obt Svt

John B. Lowing } One of said Overseers.

Maria H. Davis

Newburyport to Boxford

Newburyport March 11th 1846

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen,

Maria H. Davis and two children whose legal settlement is in our town have been by due course of law committed to the Almshouse in this town for three months from February 14th 1846 and the expense of their support will be charged to your town.—

In behalf of the Overseers of the Town of Newburyport
With respect Gentlemen
Your Obt Servant
Eleazer Johnson 3d One of said Overseers

P.S.

We find that Maria H. Davis is the wife of Willard H. Davis son of Daniel Davis who has a legal settlement in your town, And we cannot learn that Willard H. Davis gained in any town in this Commonwealth in his own right. Therefore he follows his Father.—

Willard H. Davis —

House of Correction for the County of Essex
Ipswich April 29th 1846

To the Gentlemen
Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen
Willard H. Davis having a lawful settlement in the Town of Boxford has been committed to the House of Correction at Ipswich in the County of Essex by the course of law for the term of three months from July 14th 1846. —
This is to notify you that the expenses of his support will be charged to the Town of Boxford
In behalf of the Overseers of said House,
Respectfully your obt Servt

Asa Worcester — Master of said House

Recd. by mail postage paid May 2nd 1846
by W Dennis Jr

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Hannah Davis (wife of Willard H. B.) & children

Newbury to Boxford

Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

We hereby give you notice that Hannah Davis (wife of Willard H. Davis) and her two children Mordecai Davis and Elizabeth Mary Davis have become chargeable to the Town of Newbury their Habitancy being in your Town we have charged their board to your Town and we shall continue to charge untill you remove or otherwise provide for them

Yours with respect Daniel Coleman

For order of the Overseers of the Poor of Newbury

N.B. Mrs Davis was sent to our almshouse by a magistrate

House of Correction for the County of Essex

To the Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Ipswich Nov 20th 1846

Newby Mail Nov 23 1846

Gentlemen Willard B. Davis having a lawful settlement in the Town of Boxford has been committed to the House of Correction at Ipswich in the County of Essex by due course of law for the term of three months from October 10th 1846

This is to certify you that the expenses of his support will be charged to the Town of Boxford

In behalf of the Overseers of said House

Respectfully your obt Servt Jnen Worcester

Master of Ess House

Jesse Perley

House of Correction for the County of Essex

Ipswich March 22th 1847

To the Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen

Jesse Perley having a lawful settlement in the Town of Boxford has been committed to the House of Correction at Ipswich in the County of Essex by due course of law for the term of three months from March 9th 1847 This is to notify you that the expenses of his support will be charged to the Town of Boxford

In behalf of the Overseers of said House

Respectfully yours &c

Ira Worcester Master of said House

Returned by mail postage paid

March 24th 1847

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House of Correction for the County of Essex

To the Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford.

Gentlemen

Willard H. Davis having a lawful settlement in the Town of Boxford has been committed to the House of Correction at Ipswich in the County of Essex by due course of law for the term of three months from March 9th 1847 -

This is to notify you that the expenses of his support will be charged to the Town of Boxford

In behalf of the Overseers of said House

Respectfully your o'b't serv't

Ira Worcester Master of said House

Returned by mail postage paid
March 24 1847

Maria H. Davis & two Children

Newburyport to Boxford

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Newburyport April 3rd 1847

Gentlemen

Maria H. Davis the wife of Willard Hubbard Davis and two Children acknowledged paupers belonging to your town have been committed to the Alms house in this town by due course of law for six months from March 9th 1847 and the expense of their support will be charged to the town of Boxford

In behalf of the Overseers of the Town of Newburyport

With respect Gentlemen
Your Obt Servant
Eleazer Johnson 3d one of the Overseers

Received by mail postage paid April 6 1847

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Mary Robbins
Boxford to Ipswich

Boxford Oct 18th 1847

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Ipswich. Gentlemen.

Mrs Mary Robbins whose lawful settlement is in Ipswich is now in this town in needy circumstances and has applied to us for relief. she seems quite industrious although her health is rather poor and is very anxious to remain at her present residence near Mrs Baker who she says is her only child. she can probably get along through the winter without any other assistance than a load or two of wood which we shall furnish and charge the expense to your town unless you otherwise provide for her relief

Respectfully Yrs
Ancill Dorman
Per order of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Mailed and postage paid Oct 18th at 7 o'clock A.M. at East Boxford

Moses Le Gould
Salem to Boxford

Office of the Overseers of the Poor
City Hall

Salem Feb. 28 1848

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the town of Boxford

Gentlemen:

Moses Le Gould, whose legal settlement is in your town but now residing in Salem, being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your town, and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for his support.

Wood only

By order of the Overseers of the Poor
of the City of Salem.
Joseph S Cabot
Chairman

Moses Le Gould is about 40 yrs. old born in Boxford son of a man named it is believed Saml Gould

Mrs Mary Gould, Mrs Ann Thomson & three children.
Reading to Boxford

To the Overseers of the
Poor of the town of
Boxford

Gentlemen,

Mrs Mary Gould wife of Samuel Gould, her daughter, Ann Thomson and her grand children, William A. Benjamin E. and George W. Thomson whose lawful settlement is in Boxford, are now in this town and in need of assistance. We have furnished them relief and shall continue to furnish necessary supplies until removed or otherwise provided for and shall charge the same to your town of Boxford,

Yours with great respect,

Reading April 11. 1848

Daniel Flint
John Batchelder
Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Reading.

Amos Stevens.

Boxford to Andover

To the overseers of the Poor
of the town of Andover.

Gentleman,

Amos Stevens whose lawful settlement is in Andover is now residing with his son in this town, he has been quite feeble for some months past and has become chargeable to the town of Boxford, You are hereby notified that we shall charge the expense of his support to your town until you cause his removal or otherwise provide for his support.

Respectfully yours

Boxford May 29th 1848.

Samuel Perley Jr. Chairman
of the overseers of the poor of Boxford.

P.S. From conversation I had with Mr Steven's son I inferred that he would board him as low as he could be kept at your town but that he does not feel able to support him wholly. S. P. Jr

Mailed and postage paid at Boxford May 29. 1848

Benjamin F. Goulet

Salem to Boxford.

Office of Overseers of the Poor
Salem August 10. 1848.

Gentlem. Benj. F. Goulet now residing in this City but whose legal settlement is in your town has been committed to the almshouse in this City in due course of law, under the provisions of the 143d Chapter of the Revised statutes for the term of two months from Aug. 3d. 1848. the expense of his support while in said house will be charged to the town of Boxford, Per order & in behalf of the Overseers of the City of Salem

Very respectfully your servt.
Joseph L. Cabot Chairman.

Overseers of the Poor Boxford.

Benj. F. Goulet is the son of Moses L. Goulet of whom you were notified that he was receiving relief from this City in Feb. last & whose settlement we suppose was acknowledged by you as he was not denied.

Maria Eliza Wildes & two children
Newbury to Boxford

Newbury Sept. 22. 1848

Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

We hereby give you notice that Maria Eliza Wildes wife of Charles Wildes and their two children have become chargeable to our town their habitancies being in your town we have charged their board to your town and we shall continue so to charge until you remove or otherwise provide for their support

Daniel Colman Per order of
and one of said overseers of the
Poor of Newbury.

Seth Mc. Masters. 101

House of Correction for the County of Essex.

Ipswich Oct. 4th 1848

To the Gentlemen Selectmen
or overseers of the Poor of
the town of Boxford

Gentlemen,

Seth Mc. Masters having a lawful settlement in the town of Boxford has been committed to the House of Correction, at Ipswich, in the County of Essex, by due course of law, for the term of three months from July 14th 1848. This is to notify you that the expenses of his support will be charged to the town of Boxford.

In behalf of the overseers of said House

Respectfully, your obt. servt.

Ira Worcester, master of said house

To Ira Worcester
Master of the House
of Correction for the County
of Essex.

Boxford Nov. 9, 1848

Sir, We received your letter of Oct. 4th stating that Seth Mc. Masters, whose legal settlement you aver is in the town of Boxford, has been commited to the House of Correction at Ipswich &c. We utterly deny the settlement of any such person and refuse to pay any thing towards his support.

In behalf of the overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Respectfully yours, Samuel Perley

Chairman

P. S. From the best information I have in regard to Seth Mc. Masters, I presume that his lawful settlement is in the town of Andover.

S. P.

Mailed at Boxford and postage paid Nov. 9. 1848.

Maria Eliza Wildes & two children
Bedford to Newbury

Bedford Sept. 28. 1848.

Gentlemen Overseers
of the Poor of Newbury } We received your letter
of the 22nd inst. in which you state that
Maria Eliza Wildes wife of Charles Wildes
and their two children have become chargeable
to your town, and whose habitancy you
aver is in the town of Bedford &c. We deny
the habitancy of any such persons and positively
refuse to provide or contribute any thing
towards their support or maintainance

Respectfully Yours,
Samuel Perley Chairman
of the Overseers of the Poor
of Bedford.
In behalf of said overseers of the Poor,

P. S. We presume that the above Charles Wildes
was a son of Ezra Wildes, and that his legal
settlement, unless he has gained one of his own, is
in the town of Topsfield under his Grandfather
Ezbulon Wildes. From the best information I
have on the subject, I think that Ezra Wildes
never gained a settlement of his own,

S. P.

Mailed at Bedford & postage paid
Sept. 28. 1848.

Moses L. Gould & Family;
Salem to Boxford

Gentlemen } Office of Overseers of the Poor
Salem Jan. 30, 1849

Moses L. Gould & family whose legal settlement is in your town, but now residing in Salem being in needy circumstances has applied to this board for relief, which we have granted & charged to your town & shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for their support.

By order of the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Salem.
Respectfully yours,
Joseph S. Cabot, Chm.

Overseers of the Poor
Boxford.

You was notified concerning Gould - Feb. 20, 1840 and not having been denied at that time it is presumed you acknowledge him - He is as he states about 42 yrs. old son of Sam. Gould of Boxford, his Mother was Mary Peabody - She now lives in Boxford with her Brother Oliver Peabody.

Isaac Hovey

Bradford to Boxford

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Bradford Feb. 27. 1849

Gentlemen - You are hereby notified that Isaac Hovey now residing in the town of Bradford has become poor and has applied to the Overseers of the said town of Bradford for relief, and understanding that the legal settlement of the said Isaac Hovey is in the town of Boxford in the County of Essex. You are hereby required to make immediate provision for the support of the said Isaac Hovey and remove him to the said town of Boxford and pay the charges that have already accrued for his support which amount to one dollar - We shall continue to charge the expense to your town until he is removed - -

Richard Haseltine
Nathaniel Page
} Overseers of the Poor of the town of Bradford.

Willard H. Davis

House of Correction for the County of Essex

Ipswich Dec. 3d 1849

To the Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen,

Willard H. Davis having a lawfull settlement in the Town of Boxford has been committed to the House of Correction at Ipswich, in the County of Essex, by due course of Law, for the term of three months from Nov 6th 1849 This is to notify you, that the expenses of his support will be charged to the Town of Boxford

In behalf of the Overseers of said House

Respectfully, your obt servt

Ira Forrester, Master of said House

Washington Peabody
Reading to Boxford

Reading Sept 19th 1850

To the Overseers of the Poor of the
town of Boxford

Gentlemen.

Washington Peabody whose lawful settlement is in Boxford is sick in our Alms House we shall charge his support to your town until you remove or otherwise provide for him.

Yours Respectfully
By order of the overseers of the Poor of
Reading

J. S. Campbell, Chairman

Wm S. Peabody is the son of Benjamin Peabody who formerly lived in Boxford near the Middleton line not far from Dr Sawyer's. From the best information we can obtain they belong to the family of Bimsley Peabody

Yours J. S. Campbell

Edward Bacon & William Esty

House of Correction for the County of Essex

Ipswich Dec 30 1850

To the Gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Gentlemen:

Edward Bacon *
William Esty having a lawful settlement in the Town of Boxford has been committed to the House of Correction at Ipswich in the County of Essex by due course of law for the term of two months from May 1 - 1850 six months - from September 21 - 1850.

This is to notify you that the expenses of there* — support will be charged to the Town of Boxford

In behalf of the Overseers of said house

Respectfully your ob't servant

Ira Worcester Master of said House

* A true copy

Received Jan 1 1851 and recorded A Dorman

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Ann Thompson
Salem to Boxford

Office of the Overseers of the Poor
City Hall

Salem Jany 2 1851

To the Overseers of the Poor of the
Town of Boxford.

Gentlemen:

Ann Thompson wife of Benjamin Thompson whose legal settlement is in your town, but now residing in Salem, being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief, which we have granted and charged to your Town and shall continue so to do, until you remove or otherwise provide for her support

Thomas Trask
Overseer of the Poor

Mrs Thompson is daughter of Gideon and Mary Gowan

This letter came into our Post office Wednesday eve Jany 15th and was taken out by the subscriber

A Dennis

James D Chase

Brighton to Boxford

Brighton Jany 27th 1851

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Gentlemen; James D Chase aged about 50 years a pauper belonging to your town was admitted into the Alms house in this town on the 13th inst, and we charge his support to your town and shall continue ~~to the~~ so until he shall be removed, or otherwise provided for

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Brighton

Geo, Livermore, one of said Overseers

James D Chase was born in Boxford and was the son of Abraham Chase who was by trade a Blacksmith

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William Esty

Boxford to Ipswich

Boxford Feb 11th 1851

To the Master of the House of Correction
Ipswich

Sir

We received your letter of the 30th of December last stating that Edward Bacon and William Esty had been committed to the House of Correction in Ipswich and that the expense of their support would be charged to our town. - William Esty has no settlement in Boxford and we shall refuse to pay any bill or bills for his support

Per order of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Respectfully Yours

Ireill Dorman } Chairman

Mailed at Boxford and postage paid by the subscriber
Feb 12 1851

I Dorman

James D Chase

Boxford | to | Brighton

Boxford Feb 12th 1851

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the town of Brighton

Gentlemen

We received your letter of the 27th ult. stating that James D Chase was admitted into your Almshouse that he belonged to our town and that you charged his support to us &c. James D Chase has no settlement in Boxford and we shall refuse to pay any bills on his account

Per order of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Respectfully Yours
Ancill Dorman Chairman

Abraham Chase was taxed in Boxford in the year 1796. we find no further trace of him either in our records or in the memories of our oldest inhabitants

A. D.

Mailed at Boxford and postage paid Feb 12th 1851
A. Dorman

112 Ephraim F. Anderson

House of Correction for the County of Essex
Ipswich March 15. 1851

To the Gentlemen, Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford
Gentlemen

Ephraim F. Anderson Having a lawful settlement in the Town of Boxford has been committed to the House of Correction, at Ipswich, in the County of Essex, by due course of Law, for the term of one year from February 28. 1851.

This is to notify you that the expenses of his support will be charged to the Town of Boxford.

In behalf of the Overseers of said House,
Respectfully, your Obt. Servt.

Ira Worcester – Master of said House.

Paul A. Wilkins

New Bedford May 16. 1851

Gentlemen

We have paid the funeral Expenses of Paul A. Wilkins Whose settlement we understand was in your town, You will please to pay the same as soon as convienient & Oblige

Yours Respectfully
~~Hon~~ The Overseers of the Poor Wm. A. Gordon
Chr. of S.d. Overseers

The Overseers of the Poor Boxford

The Town of Boxford to City of New Bedford Dr.

1851
May 6. To Paid funeral Expenses of Paul A. Wilkins
Coffin & Grave & Sexton's fees } 6,00

Boxford to New Bedford

Boxford July 9. 1851

Gentlemen

We herein enclose & forward to you the amount of your demand (six dollars) against the town of Boxford for the funeral expenses paid of Paul A. Wilkins

Respectfully Yours

Overseers of the Poor New Bedford } Wm. R. Cole } For the Overseers of the Poor

Mailed at West Boxford and Portage Pair July 9. 1851 W. R. C.

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John Dresser

Stoneham to Boxford

Stoneham June 14. 1851

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Gentleman Mr. John Dresser Whose lawful settlement is in your town is now in this town sick and feeble and in need of assistance. We have rendered him what assistance he needed which you are requested to pay and to cause the removal of said pauper as he is now the proper charge of your town

Yours Respectfully

Solon Dike } Chairman of the Overseers ~~of the Poor~~ Stoneham and by the authority of the said Overseers

N.B.

Mr Dresser is about 80 years old and is the son of John Dresser of I. believe.

S. D.

Watts Turner 115

Boxford to Medford

Boxford Sept. 2d 1857.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Medford.

Gentlemen,

Watts Turner whose lawful settlement is in the Town of Medford but who is now residing in this Town having applied to us for assistence is now in our Alms House — We shall charge the expenses of his support to your Town untill you remove or otherwise provide for him.

Yours Respectfully,
By order of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford.

Wm R. Cole, Chairman

Mailed at West Boxford and postage paid Sept. 2d 1857.
M.R.C.

Watts Turner
Boxford to Medford

Boxford Dec. 26. 1857.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Medford
Gentlemen

You are hereby notified that we cannot board Watts Turner for the sum by yourselves named, (one dollar and twenty five cents per week.)

By order of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of the Town of Boxford
With respect
Your Obt. Servt,
Wm R. Cole, one of said Overseers

William Estey 117

Ipswich to Boxford

Ipswich Dec. 22, 1851.

To the Board of Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford.

Gentlemen.

There has been a bill sent to us from the State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester for the board &c. of Wm Esty and as his settlement is in your Town we would call your attention to the subject immediately. We suppose you would like to settle it yourselves without our intervention in the matter.

William Estey was sent to the House of Correction in Ipswich from the Police Court at Lawrence (Judge Stevens) Committed by Mr. Andrews a Constable of that Place, and from the House of Correction in Ipswich he was carried to Worcester as a desperate subject.

For and in behalf of the board of Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Ipswich.

Respectfully Yours &c.

John P. Crosby one of S. Board.

(P.S. Please to answer soon)

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Boxford To Ipswich

Boxford Dec. 25th 1851.

To the Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Ipswich —

Gentlemen

We received last night your communication of the 22nd inst. concerning William Estey and in reply we will say that we received a notice about a year ago from the Master of the House of Correction stating that William Estey had been committed to said House &c. at which time we made such enquiry as satisfied us that no such person ever belonged to the Town of Boxford consequently we deny his settlement in our Town & refuse to pay any bills on his account.

For and in behalf of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford.

Respectfully Yours

Ancill Dorman } One of said Selectmen & Overs.

Mailed at Boxford & Postage Paid by the Subscriber Dec. 25. 1851.

A. Dorman

Aaron Cross 119

Boxford To Topsfield

Boxford March 4th 1852

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Topsfield

Gentlemen,

Aaron Cross, whose legal settlement is in your town is now sick in this town in the family of Mr William Gurney who has applied to us, on his account, for relief. We shall charge the expense of his support to the town of Topsfield

For and in behalf of the Overseers
of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Respectfully Yr

Ariell Dorman } One of said Overseers

Mailed at East Boxford to Postage paid
March 4th 1852 A. Dorman

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Eliza Turner

Boxford to Medford

Boxford May 1st 1852

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the town of Medford

Gentlemen

Eliza Turner wife of Watts Turner whose lawfull settlement is in the town of Medford is now sick in this town and in very needy circumstances we have been obliged to furnish some relief and shall continue so to do, if needed, charging the expense to the town of Medford until you remove or otherwise provide for her support.

Per order of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Respectfully Yours

Ansell Dorman } one of said Overseers

Mrs Turner has been sick about a month - we thought her on the mending hand till we heard to day she was taken much worse and is very sick - The expense thus far on her account, besides Physician's services, is I believe about 4 or 5 dollars - if she continues worse the expense will be much heavier. We hope you will come to Boxford and see whether it would not be for your interest to take your poor to your own town

A Dorman

Mailed at Boxford and Postage paid May 3 - 1852

William Rea

Middleton to Boxford

Middleton May 20th 1852

To the Overseers of the poor of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen - Mr William Rea whose legal settlement is in your Town but now residing in this Town being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your Town and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for their support he being sick at this time

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Town of Middleton

~~With~~ respect Gentlemen
Your Obedient servant

George P Wilkins one of Overseers

John Robinson & wife Eunice

Boxford to South Reading —

Boxford May 30th 1854

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of South Reading
Gentlemen

John Robinson and Eunice his wife have made application to the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford for assistance, Robinson states that he was born in Rhode Island, and has never been taxed at all his is probably a State Pauper His wife was formerly the wife of John Woodward of your Town who died at your Almshouse some time thy five years since, we shall charge the expense of their support until you cause their removal or otherwise provide for them as we presume her settlement is in your Town

In behalf of the Overseers of the
Poor of Boxford
Respectfully yours
Moses Dorman Chairman of
the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Mr Robinson is 72 years old and his wife 83 —
He lived with the Rhode Island Stone for a number of
years previous to the age of 14 years
Robinson says that John Woodward whose
name was at Brother of Thos Woodward
the Awl manufacturer —

Please answer as soon as convenient

Mailed & post paid at Boxford May 31 1854
M Dorman

John Robinson & Wife
Boxford to Andover

Boxford May 30th 1854

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Andover

Gentlemen

John Robinson and Wife whose legal settlement we suppose to be in your town have made application to us for assistance being poor and needy, we shall charge the expense of their support to your town unless you cause their removal or otherwise provide for them. They have lived in your town about fifteen years previous to 1846

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford
Respectfully Yours

Moses Dorman Chairman
of the Overseers of the Poor
of Boxford

Mrs Robinson was a native of Andover an illegitimate child of one — Stiles a sister of the wife of Nathl Long

M D.

Warned to Prentage head of Boxford May 31-1854
M D

John Robinson & Wife
Andover to Boxford

Andover June 6 - 1852

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford; Gentlemen,

Your letter of the 30th of May was duly received. Upon enquiry, we are satisfied that this town is not the place of lawful settlement of the said Robinson and wife. We cannot therefore cause their removal, nor contribute towards their support.

Yours with respect
George Foster Chairman
of the Board of Overseers of the
Poor of the Town of Andover

N.B. It is supposed that Robinson was once in our Almshouse as a State Pauper, but we have no evidence of the legal settlement of either and are strongly inclined to think they belong to the State whose rendezvous is at Tewksbury.

Rec'd June 8th 1852. postage paid.

John Robinson

South Reading to Boxford

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford Sir Gentlemen we hereby inform you that John Robinson whom you describe in your letter of May 30th 1854, is not an inhabitant of this town and he no legal settlement therein - and that we utterly refuse to contribute any thing towards his support or to remove him from your town or to pay charges that have already accrued by his being supported by the town of Boxford

Dated South Reading this twentieth day of June AD 1854 In behalf of the board of Overseers of the Poor of South Reading

Lilley Eaton Clerk

Received June 21 1854 W Dorman

Pamelia Monroe

Charlestown) v.) Boxford)

City of Charlestown July 31 - 1854

To the Overseers of the Poor Town of Boxford

Gentlemen

The Treasurer of the State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester has presented a Bill for $510.00 against the City of Charlestown for the board of Mrs Pamelia Monroe at the Hospital. Mrs Monroe went to the Hospital in Jany 1844 and left there in October following partially restored to her reason and her board was paid by her husband - but she was soon taken disordered and sent to Worcester and has remained there till the present time and there has never been any demand made for her board till recently. Mr Moses Monroe the Husband was born in Chester N. Hampshire, and had not gained a settlement in the State and as her last full settlement was in your Town we presume you had as live settle the bill with the Treasurer.

Mrs Pamelia Monroe is the daughter of Moses Chadwick. She was born in Boxford and lived in the North Parish we presume you are well acquainted with Mr Chadwick as he died about 8 years since and was supported by the Town.

Respectfully Yours

Thomas Greenley one of the

Overseers of the Poor

Sent by mail Postage paid Aug 5 - 1854

M Donnan

Pamelia Monroe

Boxford — to — Charlestown

Boxford Aug 16 - 1854

To the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Charlestown

Gentlemen

Your letter respecting the support of Pamelia Monroe has been received We presume that she will follow the settlement of her husband Moses (Danforth) Monroe - his name having been Danforth in his minority and so continue afterwards And if he never gained a settlement of himself he will probably follow the settlement of his Father in Groveland formerly Bradford as his Father resided there some twenty years and died there about the year 1820 - Possibly Monroe gained a settlement in Lowell as he resided there for a long term of years previous to his living in your City Charlestown - Therefore we respectfully refuse to pay any amount for her support at Worcester or Elsewhere

Yrs Respectfully

Moses Dorman Chairman
of the Overseers of the Poor of the
Town of Boxford —

Mailed & postage at Boxford
Aug 17 - 1854
M Dorman

Turn more Turn over

Pamelia (Chadwick) (Danforth) (Monroe)
Charlestown to Boxford

City of Charlestown Feby 28 - 1855

To the Overseers of Poor of Town of Boxford

Gentlemen

A suit has been commenced against the City of Charlestown by the Treasurer of the State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester for the support of Pamelia Monroe formerly Pamelia Chadwick of your Town and have been summoned to appear at a court to be holden in Worcester on Monday next we are advised that the City of Charlestown will have to pay the amount of the bill as Mrs Monroe was a resident of Charlestown when she was committed we are also advised to notify your board of the fact of the suit in case any responsibility attaches to your Town your Town may be held for the same

Respectfully Your Obt Servt
In behalf of the Overseers of Poor
Thomas Greenleaf one of the Overseers

Recd March 1 - 1855 Postage fee d.
W Dorman

Mrs Foye wife of Mark (W) Foye -

Newburyport Nov. 16th 1854

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford -

Gentlemen Mrs Foy wife of Mark Foy whose legal settlement is in your Town but now residing in this City being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your Town and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for her support - a Ward only.

In behalf of the Overseers of the City of Newburyport

With respect Gentlemen

Your Obt Servant

John Colley } one of said Overseers

PS Mrs Foy is the daughter of Samuel Hawkes whose legal settlement is in the Town of Boxford she not having gained - in any other Town in this Commonwealth will of course follow that of her father Rec Nov 21-1854 M Dorr

Jany 1st 1855 a further notice was received stating that Mrs Foy had applied for further relief which had been granted and at Dec 30th she was receiving fifty cents per week -

M Dorr

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David Foster

Boston Mar 2 1855

Gentlemen

David Foster aged 77 is at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury - He was born in Windham N.H. his father was Abner Foster who was born in the Town of Bedford & who moved to Windham and afterwards to Pelham N.H. the father of Abner resided in Bedford many years if he was not born there - Davids Mother was also a Bedford woman. This statement is made on the information given by David and is presumed to be true.

Should it so prove the State will charge your Town for his Support - and you will oblige me by giving me notice whether he belongs to your town or not

Respectfully yrs

John G Locke
State Paw agent

Recd Mar 6th 1855

West Bedford May 2d 1855

Mr Locke - Sir - On the 6th of March last I received a letter from you requesting information concerning One David Foster who was in the State almshouse at Tewksbury. From the information we have obtained we do not find that he is chargeable to the town of Bedford and we decline paying anything towards his support.

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Bedford Respectfully yours

John F Kimball Chairman
of sd board of Overseers.

Post paid & mailed May 3d 1855

Daniel Foster

Boston July 23rd 1855

Overseers of the Poor of Bedford

Gentlemen

Some time since I received your letter denying any knowledge of David Foster. The name is Daniel it is probable I made the mistake in writing to you. I will again state the facts I have. Daniel Foster aged 77 was born in Windham N.H. His father Abner Foster & his gr. fa. were both natives of Bedford. Abner moved to Windham N.H. about 71 years ago, from thence to Pelham N.H. where he lived and died. Sold his farm in Windham to a man by name of Heath. I presume there can be but little question that Daniel derives a settlement from his ancestors in your place. Yours Resp'y

Received July 27th 1855

John G Locke

West Bedford. Aug 9th 1855

Mr Locke – Sir your letter of July 23rd was duly received and in reply I would say that an individual by name of Abner Foster once lived in Bedford and that he moved out of the state some seventy years ago. I do not however find that he ever had a son by name of Daniel. and presume you are altogether mistaken in the man. Daniel Foster you state to be 77 years of age, and to have been born in Windham N.H. while Abner Foster moved from Bedford no more than 70 or 71 years ago – making Daniel to have been born in Windham some 6 or 7 years before Abner left Bedford. Consequently we believe the Daniel of whom you speak is of another family and not chargable to our Town.

Very Respectfully

John E. Kimball

Chairman of Overseers of the Poor of Bedford.

Postpaid and mailed Aug 10th 1855

Mrs Elbridge G. Wildes

Georgetown to Bradford.

Georgetown Jan 1st 1856

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Bradford. — Gentlemen

Mrs Elbridge G. Wildes whose legal settlement is in Town but at present residing in this Town, being in needy circumstances & having applied to this board for relief, we have granted the same, and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for her.

For the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Georgetown,
Isaac Wilson Chairman

Elbridge G. Wildes was the son of Ephraim Wildes who was the son of Ezra Wildes who had a settlement in Bradford.

Mrs Elbridge G Wildes

Bxford to Georgetown

West Bxford. Jan 19th 1856.

To the overseers of the Poor
of the town of Georgetown.

Gentlemen We received your letter of Jan 14th in which you state that Mrs Elbridge G Wildes has become chargable to your Town, and whose legal settlement you say is in the town of Bxford. We deny the settlement of any such person and positively refuse to provide or contribute any thing towards her support and maintenance

With Much Respect your ob
Yours &c John G. Kimball Chairman
of board of overseers of the Poor of
the Town of Bxford.

She Ezra Wildes of whom you speak gained no settlement in Bxford and not probably in any other town. Mrs Elbridge G. Wildes is probably chargable to the town of Topsfield under Zebulon Wildes who was I believe Great-Grandfather of her husband.

mailed at West Bxford Jan 19th 1856
& Postage paid

134. Mrs Foye (Wife of Mark W. Foye) & children

Newburyport to Boxford

Office of the Overseers – Newburyport
Jan 3rd 1856.

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen, Mark Foye's Wife and children whose legal settlement is in your Town but now residing in this Town, being in needy circumstances have applied to this board for relief, which we have granted, and charged to your Town and shall continue to do so, until you remove or otherwise provide for their support.

In behalf of the Overseers of the city of Newburyport, With respect, Gentlemen,
Your Obt Servt

Charles Currier
One of said Overseers

Lucy French.

Boxford		to	Salem.

West Boxford Feb 13th 1856.

Overseers of the Poor of Salem

Gentlemen

Lucy French whose legal settlement is in your ~~City~~ but at present residing in ~~Boxford~~) being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted, and ~~shall continue to do so~~ charged the same to your City, and shall continue to do so, until you remove her or otherwise provide for her support

Yours Very Respectfully
John H. Kimball Chairman
of Overseers of the Poor of the
town of Boxford.

Olivia Newcomb

Salem to Boxford

Office of the Overseers of the Poor
City Hall Salem Dec 4th 1857

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the town of Boxford,

Gentlemen Mrs Olivia Newcomb widow of Eliakim Newcomb daughter of John Hale formerly of Boxford whose legal settlement is in your Town, but now residing in Salem, being in needy circumstances has applied to this board for relief, which we have granted and charged to your Town, and shall continue to do until you remove or otherwise provide for her support

By order of the Overseers of the Poor of the city of Salem
S. W. Robertson One of Sd Overseers.

West Boxford Dec. 15th 1857

To the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Salem

Gentlemen - your letter of Dec 4th was duly received in which you state that Mrs. Olivia Newcomb whose legal settlement you say is in this Town has become chargable and applied to your board for relief. We deny the settlement of any such person and consequently refuse to provide or contribute anything towards her support and maintenance.

By request of Overseers of the Poor of Boxford
John F. Kimball Chairman

PS From the information we have obtained we believe the Mrs Newcomb of whom you speak to be chargable to the State.

Mailed at West Boxford Dec 16th and postage paid.

Mrs George and Mrs Elbridge Wildes 137

Newbury to Boxford

Office of the Overseers - Newbury Dec 17 1857

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the town of Boxford

Gentlemen: Mrs Wildes widow of the late George Wildes whose legal settlement is in your Town but now residing in this Town, being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your Town and shall continue so to do, until you remove or otherwise provide for her support

In behalf of the Overseers of the Town of Newbury
With respect, Gentlemen
Your Obt Servant
Dan'l Leach } One of said Overseers,

Sensible

George Wildes and Elbridge Wildes together with Ezra their father who formerly belonged in Topsfield but afterwards several years since gained a settlement in Boxford as you will find by your valuation Books D. L.

another

Newbury Dec 18 57

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Gents I yesterday mailed a letter to you from Topsfield concerning Mrs George Wildes which I suppose you have received, I now send you a Bill of Wood & supplies &c. furnished Mrs Elbridge Wildes said Elbridge being brother of said George and son of Ezra Who was the son of Zebulon Zebulon was born in Topsfield Dec 19 1718 Ezra was born in Topsfield Feb 24 1758. Soon after the birth of Ezra his father moved into Boxford and paid taxes there until his death. Ezra, you will find was taxed in your Town in the year 1800 and ten years previous also several years since By your Records you were notified of these Wildes in 1842 and in Jan 1854. You will please give it your Earliest attention and oblige Dan'l Leach Ch. Board Overseers, Newbury

The above were received in one entelope Dec 22d 1857

Mrs George & Mrs Elbridge Wildes

Boxford to Newbury.

West Boxford Dec 23rd 1857

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the town of Newbury

Gentlemen - Your letter of Dec 17. was duly received in which you say that Mrs. Wildes widow of George Wildes has applied to your board for assistance &c. and whose legal settlement you say is in the town of Boxford. We have also received a second communication from you dated Dec 18 containing your bill for supplies furnished and for the funeral expenses of Mrs Elbridge Wildes, whose legal settlement you imply to be in this Town. In reply I would say that we deny the settlement of either of the above named persons, and positively refuse to provide or contribute anything towards the support and maintenance of the One or to pay any of the charges and expenses incurred by the other

By Request of Overseers of Boxford
John G. Kimball Chairman

P.S. The Elbridge of whom you speak gained no settlement in Boxford and I doubt if he did any where of his own but probably had a settlement in Topsfield under Zebulon his father

J. G. K.

Mailed & Postpaid Dec 24th 1857

Ira H. Wilder son of Elbridge G. Wilder

Newbury to Bradford.

Office of the Overseers
Newbury Feb 19th 1858

To the Overseers of the Poor of the
Town of Bradford,

Gentlemen Ira Wm Wilder a son of the late Elbridge G. Wilder whose legal settlement is in your Town, but now residing in this Town being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your Town and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for his support.

In behalf of the Overseers of the Town of Newbury With Respect Gentlemen Your Obt Servant

Geo. Lunt,

Returned to Newbury

West-Bradford March 5th 1858

Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Newbury

Gentlemen on March 3d we received your letter concerning Ira Wm Wilder son of the late Elbridge G. Wilder whose legal settlement you say is in the town of Bradford We deny the settlement of any such person and positively refuse to contribute anything towards his support and maintenance

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Bradford John C. Kimball - Chm of said Overseers.

Mailed and Postpaid March 5th 1858.

John H. Brown

Bradford to Boxford

Bradford March 25 1858

To the Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Gentlemen – John H Brown whose legal Settlement is in your town, but now is in the Almns in Bradford being in needy circumstances has applied to this town for relief in which we have granted and charged to your town ~~to~~ shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for his support. Yours very Resp

John Perley) one of the Overseers of Bradford,

N.B. John H Brown is a son of Joseph Brown late of Haverhill, his age is thirteen last July.

West Newbury to Boxford

West Newbury April 19th 1858

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Gentlemen :– Mrs Betsey Cole wife of Manly Cole whose lawful Settlement is in ~~your~~ the town of Boxford is now in this Town being very much hurt by a fall, and in need of assistance has applied to this town. We have furnished her relief to the amount of ten dollars which you are requested to pay; and to cause her removal as she is the proper charge of your town

Yours & Geo Emery – one of the Overseers of West Newbury.

P.S. Mrs Cole on thursday night last while in the performance of the duties of nurse in a family in this town fell down a flight of stairs and very much injured her, besides a compound fracture of the left arm. I do not suppose that she can be removed with propriety for some weeks.

The fracture was so bad that the physician would not attempt to set it & Doct Wyman of Newburyport was called upon and set it.

G. E.

Leonard Gile

Bexford to Haverhill

West Bexford Nov 16. 1858

To the Overseers of the Poor of
the Town of Haverhill

Gentlemen Mr Leonard Gile whose legal settlement is in your Town, but now residing in this Town being sick and in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for assistance which we have granted and charged to your Town and shall continue to do so until you remove or otherwise provide for his support.

Very Respectfully Yours
John F Kimball one of the
overseers of the Poor of Bexford

P.S. Mr Gile's age is 24. Says he was born in Haverhill, and that both his father and grandfather were born and died there. He is residing at the house of Deac. J. H. Day in West Bexford. his disease appears to be consumption & he seems to be rapidly failing. He thinks he might be moved now in an easy carriage and on a pleasant day

J. F. K.

Mailed and Postpaid Nov 17. 1858

Augustus R Coburn

Dedham to Boxford

Dedham Nov 23. 1858

To the Overseers of the Poor
of Boxford, Gentlemen,

Augustus R Coburn & family consisting of wife Maria P & children Alpheus A. Caroline M. Stephen J. Anna A. Edward R. & an infant not yet named, whose legal settlement is in your town have fallen into distress & come to want in this Town & applied to us for assistance, which we have furnished at your expense & shall continue to assist them until you remove them or otherwise provide for them which you are requested to do.

for & in behalf of the overseers of the Poor
of Dedham

Your Obt Servt Waldo Colburn
One of Said Overseers

Boxford to Dedham

Boxford Dec 17. 1858

To the Overseers of the Poor of Dedham.

Gentlemen We received your letter of Nov. 23. respecting Augustus R Coburn & family whose legal settlement you say is in the Town of Boxford. We deny the settlement of any such person and consequently refuse to pay any thing towards the support of him or his family. From the information we have obtained we believe he has a settlement either in Cambridge or Roxbury.

For & in behalf of Overseers of Poor of Boxford
John Kimball one of Said
Overseers

Mailed at W. Boxford Dec 20th 1858 and Postpaid

Deadamia Prichard.

Townsend to Boxford.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford, Gentlemen.

Deadamia Prichard minor Daughter of Charles C. Prichard (deceased) whose lawful settlement is in the town of Boxford is now in the town of Townsend, sick and lame and in need of Assistance. We have furnished her relief which you are requested to pay, and to cause the removal of said pauper as she is now the proper charge to your Town

Townsend Dec 15th 1858

Yours with Respect
For and behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Townsend.
N. F. Cummings, Chairman

P.S. Charles C. Prichard is the son of William Prichard of New Ipswich N.H. William Prichard son of Paul Prichard of Boxford. According to the History of New Ipswich Paul Prichard left Boxford in 1772 Charles C. takes the settlement from Paul Prichard as he has not gained any settlement in this state in his own right.

Boxford to Townsend

West Boxford Jan 10, 1859

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Townsend

Gentlemen, - Your letter of Dec 15 respecting one Deadamia Prichard was duly received and in reply would say that we deny the residence of any such person in the town of Boxford and consequently refuse to pay or contribute anything towards her support or maintenance

Yours very Respectfully, for and in behalf of Overseers of Poor of the Town of Boxford John F. Kimball one of said Overseers

Postpaid and mailed at West Boxford Jan 11th 1859

Ira W. Wildes Son of Elbridge G Wildes

Newbury to Boxford

Office of the Overseers - Newbury Feb. 1. 1859

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Boxford,

Gentlemen Ira W Wildes son of the late Elbridge G. Wildes whose legal settlement is in your Town but now residing in this Town, being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your Town and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for his support

In behalf of the Overseers of the Town of Newbury

With Respect Gentlemen Your Obt Servt

Daniel Lunt One of Said
Overseers.

Boxford to Newbury.

West Boxford, Feb 18th 1859

To the Overseers of the Poor of
the town of Newbury Gentlemen. Your Letter of Feb 1st was duly received respecting one Ira W Wildes whose legal settlement you say is in ~~your~~ the town of Boxford We deny the settlement of any such person in the Town of Boxford and consequently refuse or pay any thing towards his support or maintenance

Very Respectfully yours for and in behalf Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford - John Kimball One of said Overseers

Diadamia Prichard

Received March 21st 1859

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Bryford

Gentlemen, Diadamia Prichard minor daughter of Charles A. Prichard (deceased) whose lawful settlement is in the town of Bryford is now in the Town of Townsend, Came with in need of assistance, We have furnished her relief which we are requested to say and to cause the removal of said pauper as she is now the proper charge of your Town

John Hales jr. } Overseers of the
John L. Wilcomb } Poor of Town
Jos. W. Pierce } of Townsend

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Mrs Olivia Newcomb

Salem to Boxford

Boxford March 18 1851

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford } Gentlemen

Above you have the bill for board & nursing furnished Mrs Olivia Newcomb, who was legally settled in Salem, and I have no doubt is in your town. Your immediate attention to the payment of the above is requested

I am respectfully Your obedient Servant

Edward Stanwood
Overseer

Boxford May 20th 1859

To the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Salem } Gentlemen

Your letter of March 18 was duly received. You state Olivia Newcomb whose last settlement you claim to be in the town of Boxford, by the settlement of her husband person in the Town of Boxford and consequently refuse to pay anything towards her support or maintenance.

Very respectfully yours
for and in behalf of the Overseers of
the Poor of the Town of Boxford

William B. Cole one of said Overseers

David Smith

State Alms house Tewksbury Nov 8 1859

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen

David Smith aged 57 years a pauper having a legal settlement in your town is now in this Institution at the Expense of the Commonwealth. You are hereby requested to remove him without delay and to pay all charges that have accrued, or may hereafter accrue on his pauper account.

Said David is the son of David Smith whose settlement is in Boxford

By order of the Board of Inspectors
Respectfully Your Obed. Servant
Geo. Foster Chairman of the Board

Boxford Dec. 23d 1859

To the Board of Inspectors
State Alms-house Tewksbury

Gentlemen

We received your letter of Nov. 8th Respecting David Smith a son of David Smith who you aver gained a settlement in Boxford We have made such inquiry as satisfies us that no such person ever had a settlement in this Town and consequently refuse to pay any charges or to contribute anything towards his support.

Very Respectfully Yours.
In behalf of the Overseers of the
Poor of the Town of Boxford
William R. Cole one of said Overseers

Mailed Dec. 24th at West-Boxford Postage paid

Huldah M. Brown

Phillipston To Boxford.

Phillipston Dec 12th 1859

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford
Gentlemen,

Huldah M. Brown (daughter of Joseph M. Brown) whose lawful settlement is in Boxford is now sick in this town and in need of assistance, We are liable for her support from this date, and the Expenses which may occur you are requested to pay and cause her removed as she is now the proper charge of your Town

Yours Respectfully

James G. Smith } Overseers
Edward Powers } of the Poor of Phillipston

State Almshouse Bridgewater to Boston

[illegible] of the Town of Boston

Gentlemen,

[illegible] State Alms House Bridgewater, in accordance, I have furnished the relief which you are required to give as [illegible] said paupers now in your charge of your town

Bridgewater Nov 5th 1860

[illegible] State

Frank Chase [illegible]

[illegible] State Alms House

Gentlemen

[illegible] letter of Oct 25th respecting the Burial of [illegible] Cotton whose lawful [illegible] is in the Town of Boston [illegible] inquire and [illegible] that no person ever had a settlement in this town, and consequently [illegible] to pay any thing towards her support

Bridgewater 20th 1860

[illegible]

[illegible] Overseers

of the Poor of Boston

Wm O Allen } one of the Overseers

Mailed at Boston Nov 22d 1860 and postage paid

[illegible] Dear

[illegible] Middleton

[illegible] Board of Overseers of the Poor

[illegible] 18[illegible]

[illegible] Sir we have received a letter from the town of Middleton but who is now residing in this town [illegible] to us for assistance, which we have furnished for which you are [illegible] pay, and to request the removal of said pauper as he is now the proper charge of your town

We and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Wood

Yours respectfully

Board Selectmen [illegible] Overseers

[illegible]

To the Overseers of the Poor of [illegible]

Gentlemen. Your letter of Dec. 25. 1860 was duly received [illegible] support of [illegible] Bow. [illegible] the Town of Bedford therefore we shall not cause his removal nor pay his support

Middleton Jan. 7, 1861

[illegible] Selectmen
[illegible] Overseers

[illegible]

Before

[illegible]

Haverhill Jan 4th 1861

Gentlemen Mrs Emma Foster [illegible] account of Charles Foster whose legal settlement is in your town but now residing in this town being in needy circumstances have applied to this Board for relief which we have [illegible] to instruct you to remove or otherwise provide for their support on behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Haverhill

Yours respectfully Gentlemen

[illegible]

Jacob Howe } Overseers of the Poor

[illegible] that said Charles Foster [illegible] was taken sick at the west to California [illegible] one years since Mrs Foster is [illegible]

To the Overseers of the Poor of [illegible] Town Board

[illegible] 1861

Gentlemen Mrs Emma [illegible] for maintenance and [illegible] whose legal settlement is in [illegible] but now dwelling in this Town being in needy circumstances [illegible] to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your Town and shall continue so to do until you make or otherwise provide for their support

On behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of [illegible]

[illegible] Clerk

[illegible] S [illegible]

[illegible] } One of Said Overseers

John Gunnison
Topsfield to Boxford
Topsfield Sept. 2nd 1861

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen

John Gunnison his wife and children whose lawful settlement is in Boxford are in this town and have applied to this Board for assistance we have furnished them relief to the amount of three dollars which we do not wish to be in case the demand of said relief and they are now the proper charge of your Town.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Topsfield
J. M. Battelder Clk.

Boxford Sept. 18th 1861

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Topsfield

Gentlemen

Your letter of Sept. 2nd was duly received inquiring for John Gunnison whose lawful settlement you claim to be in the town of Boxford we claim the settlement of an adult person in this town and consequently refuse to pay anything toward his support and maintenance.

Very Respectfully Yours.
In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford
William R. Cole
one of said Overseers

154 Betsy Emerson

Bedford to So. Reading
Bedford Sept. 23 d 1861

(Overseers of Poor of South Reading)

Gentlemen

Your notice relative to the case of Mrs Betsy Emerson we have investigated the matter and are satisfied that she has not been long enough in this town or community to be liable to cause us trouble ~~soon~~ or to say anything towards her support.

William R. Cole
William E. Kittredge
Isaac Cole

Overseers of Poor of Town of Bedford

Boxford To Topsfield

Boxford Oct. 10th 1861

To the Overseers of the Poor of
The Town of Topsfield

Gentlemen

John E. Gunnison
A man by the name of Gunnison whose last settlement is in the Town of Topsfield is in need of assistance which we have granted and which you are requested to pay and to cause his removal as he is now the proper charge of your Town

Respectfully Yours

[illegible] of the
Poor of the Town of Boxford

William R. Stone
of said Overseers

Mailed at Georgetown Oct. 12th Postage Paid

Elizabeth Emerson

Georgetown to Bedford

Georgetown Oct. 26. 1861

To the Overseers of the Poor
Gentlemen, I have to inform you that
Elizabeth B. Emerson an inhabitant of this
town is in the poor house and in need of immediate
relief in this town, to wit, we have furnished
on the account and I shall present a charge against the
town; and we do not believe she has
any legal settlement in this town. You are requested to remove
said Elizabeth B. Emerson or otherwise provide for her support without delay

Yours &c
Selectmen of Georgetown

C. D. Tarbox Supl Clk.

To Georgetown

Boston Nov. 4th 1861

To the Overseers of the Poor of Georgetown

Gentlemen

I have been informed that Elisabeth B. Emerson has a settlement in the Town of Georgetown. The last settlement of one such person in this town was positively refused to pay any thing towards her support.

Very Respectfully

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boston

William R. Cole

Agent for Paupers

Mailed at Post Office Georgetown

Nov. 5th 1861

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George H. Cunningham Left Town

Boston 1 Oct 1860

To the Overseers of the Poor of George Town

Gentlemen

George H. Cunningham his wife & child whose legal settlement is in your Town but now residing in Boston being in needy circumstances have applied to this board for relief. We have granted our warrant to have your town, & shall continue to do so until you cause them to be removed or otherwise provide for their relief.

By order of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boston

Yours respectfully

William O. Cole Clk.

Haverhill to Boxford

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Haverhill [illegible] 1851

Gentlemen, I hereby inform you that Mrs. Emma Foster & child whose legal settlement is in your town have been residing in this town during the past year & have applied to this town for relief which we have granted & charged to your town, & shall continue so to do until you notify us otherwise provide for their support.

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Haverhill

I am, Respectfully, Gentlemen
Your Obt. Servant

B. H. Bradley (one of said
) Overseers

Andrew Berry

Boxford To Middleton

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Middleton

Gentlemen: Andrew Berry whose legal settlement is in the Town of Middleton and who is now residing in this Town has applied to us for assistance which we have furnished him for which you are requested forthwith to cause the removal of said Parker as he is now the proper charge of your Town

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Yours Respectfully

William R. Cole } Overseers of the Poor

Boxford Dec. 24th 1861

Notice at Middleton Dec 24th 1861 [illegible]

Middleton To Boxford

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen: Your favor of the 23 instant stating that Andrew Berry had a legal settlement in the Town of Middleton but if you will examine your records you will find that he has been living in the Town of Boxford for the space of one or two years and has made it his home at Moses Rust's for that time & the law seems he has gained a legal settlement in your town therefore we shall not cause his removal nor assume charge

Middleton, Dec. 26th 1861 [illegible] appeal [illegible] Town [illegible] in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Middleton

Amesbury to Boyd

Amesbury Nov. 26. 1861

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of [illegible]

Gentlemen

John Bentley whose legal residence is in Your Town is in need of assistance which we have granted and shall continue to do until you remove or otherwise provide for his support. And we shall charge the same to the Town of [illegible]

Very respectfully Yours

[illegible] Howard [illegible] in behalf of the Overseers of Poor of Amesbury

[illegible] Mass.

Essex County Asylum

Danvers Dec 17th 1881

To the Selectmen [illegible]
[illegible]

Gentlemen

[illegible] Lunatic settlement in the Town of Boxford has been constituted to the Trustees of Essex County Asylum by the course of law for the term from Dec 19th 1881. This is to notify you that the Estate used as support will be charged to the Town of Boxford

In behalf of the Trustees [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] C. Cross
Superintendent of the
Essex County Asylum
Danvers

Mrs Emma Foster

Haverhill To Boxford

Haverhill Dec. 28th 1861

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen

Mrs Emma Foster
is one of those who [illegible]
in your town but now residing in this town
being in needy circumstances has applied to us
for relief which we have granted
and have to inform you we shall continue
so to do until she removes or otherwise
provide for their support

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Haverhill

With respect Gentlemen
Your Obt. Servant

B. H. Bradley One of said
Overseers

Sybil and Diadamia Richard

Gaunend

Bofford
Gaunend March 10th 1862

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Bofford

Gentlemen,

Sybil Richard and her daughter Diadamia Richard whose last [illegible] is in Bofford are now in this town sick and in need of assistance. We have furnished them [illegible] to a small amount which we were requested to do, and to cause the removal of said paupers as they are not the proper charge to our town.

Respectfully Yours

J. T. Cummings
Alexander Crain
B. F. Lewis

} Overseers of the Poor of the town of Gaunend

Abagail Wilder 105

Georgetown To Bayford

Georgetown March 24th 1862

To the Overseers

of the Poor of Bayford

Gentlemen - you are hereby notified that Abagail Wilder an inhabitant of your town being in needy circumstances has applied to this board for relief which we have furnished on the account and to the proper charge of the town of Bayford. where the said Abagail Wilder has a legal Settlement you are requested to remove the said person, or otherwise provide for her Support without delay

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Georgetown

C B Kenney - Chm

Received March 25th 1862

Gentlemen

Your letter of March 24th 1862 was duly received respecting Abagail Wilder, whose lawful Settlement you claim is in this town after Enquiry and search we find that no such person ever had a Settlement in Bayford. therefore we refuse to remove or otherwise provide for her Support

Yours Respectfully

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Bayford

Wm E Killam, one of said Overseers

Mailed at Bayford Apr 1st 1862 and Postage Paid

Edward Farnsworth

Mailed at Boston Sept 28 1862 on Wed by Jaid

Botford To Chelsea

Botford Sept 28th 1862

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Chelsea

Gentlemen

Edward Farnsworth, three years old whose lawful settlement is in your town is now in this Town and in need of of assistance which we have furnished. You are requested to pay the same and to cause the removal of said person or otherwise provide for his support

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Botford

Yours Respectfully
Wm E Killam } one of said Overseers

Chelsea To Botford

Chelsea Sept 27th 1862

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Botford

Gentlemen your letter in relation to Edward Farnsworth has been received. In reply we would say that Edward Farnsworth has no lawful settlement in this City we shall therefore refuse either to remove him or otherwise provide for his support

Yours Respectfully
Eben W Faltrop
Chairman of the Overseers of the Poor

Mrs Elisabeth M Eddy (Widow of the late Wm H Eddy) and Children

Bafford P.C. Royalston

Bafford Sept 29th 1862

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Royalston

Gentlemen

Mrs Elisabeth M Eddy Widow of the late Wm H Eddy and her Children Anna M Eddy, Charles H Eddy Nelly H. Eddy and Wm G. Eddy whose lawful settlements are in your town but now residing in this Town have applied to this board for relief which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for their support

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Bafford

With Respect

Your Obt Servant

Wm O Killam } one of said Overseers

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Emma Foster

Haverhill to Bolton

Haverhill Nov 5, 1862

To the Overseers of the Poor of
the Town of Bolton
Gentlemen

Emma Foster whose legal settlement is in your Town, but now residing in this Town being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted, and charged to your Town, and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for her support

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Haverhill
With respect Gentlemen
Your Obt Servant

Oliver Taylor } One of said Overseers

Benjamin Swan

Bofford to Salem

Bofford Nov 18th 1862

Overseers of the Poor of Salem

Gents we have been notified to take charge of a destitute person named Benjamin Swan who claims Salem as his legal Settlement he is a person of some fifty years of age or more he is at the house of Nelson Bodwell Esqr where he has been stopping for a short time at work he is now confined to the house with a broken leg his limb has been set and he is doing well. we hereby notify you to take charge of said person as soon as maybe. Mr Bodwell lives near the centre of the Town

Yours &c

George W Chadwick } Overseers of
Thomas L. Spofford } the Poor of Bofford

Delivered by Thomas L Spofford

170 Townsend Diadama Richard

Townsend. to Bofford

Gentlemen

Diadama Richard whose lawful settlement is in the town of Bofford is now in this town sick and in need of assistance we have furnished her relief to a small amount which you are requested to pay and to cause the removal of said pauper as she is now the proper charge to your town

Townsend Nov 11th 1862

N. F. Cummings } Overseers of the
B. F. Lewis } Poor of the Town of Townsend

Laura Dresser 171

Georgetown to Boxford

Georgetown Mar 28th 1863.

To the Overseers of
the Poor of Boxford.

Gentlemen, Laura Dresser an inhabitant of your town but now residing in this town being in needy circumstances has applied to this board for relief which we have ~~granted~~ furnished on the account and to the proper charge of the town of Boxford where the said person has a legal settlement.

You are requested to remove the said Laura Dresser or otherwise provide for her support without delay.

In behalf of the Overseers of the
Poor of Georgetown.

O. B. Jenney Chm.

The above named person has applied to us for payment of her house rent $1.75 per month She thinks she will not require permanent help.

O B Jenney

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Sidney Eaton.

Office of the Board of directors for Public Institutions,

Boston April 8, 1863

To the Overseers of the Poor of
the town of Boxford.

Gentlemen: Sidney Eaton having a lawful settlement in your town was admitted to the Boston Lunatic Hospital by due course of law, more than 3 mos since, His support will be charged to your town until he is removed by you.

By order and in behalf of the Directors for Public Institutions for the city of Boston,

With Respect, gentlemen Your obedient servant,

Moses Kimball.

one of said directors.

Sidney Eaton is a son of James B. Eaton, who was born in England & was not naturalized, and Sidney would take his mother's settlement which we claim to be in your town, her maiden name was Elizabeth Peabody, who was daughter of Nathan Peabody, who was son of Thomas Peabody whose settlement was in your town and who died in April 1758,

Mailed Apr. 23 at West Boxford & postage paid.

Boxford to Boston

Boxford, April 23rd 1863,

Overseers of the Poor of Boston.

Gentlemen,

We received a letter, dated the 8th inst. signed by Moses Kimball "in behalf of the directors for Public Institutions for the city of Boston," stating that one Sidney Eaton had been admitted to the Boston Lunatic Hospital, and that his support would be charged to the town of Boxford where his settlement is claimed.

In reply we state that we deny the settlement of any such person in this Town, and therefore refuse to remove him or otherwise to provide for his support.

Very Respectfully yours, In behalf of of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

John C. Kimball } Chairman

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Samuel Kimball Gage

State Almshouse Newkesbury May 30th 1863

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the town of Boxford.

Gentlemen:

Samuel Kimball Gage a pauper having a legal settlement in your Town is now in this institution at the Expense of the Commonwealth. You are hereby requested to remove him without delay, and to pay all charges that have accrued or may hereafter accrue on said pauper's account.

By order of the Board of Inspectors,
Respectfully your Obdt servant
S. J. H. Marsh pr for Chairman of the Board.

Grandson of Samuel Kimball & Widow Cole. Settlement by Real Estate.

Received By mail June 2d 1863.

Mary F. Marshall

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Office of the Overseers of the Poor
50 School Street, Opposite City Hall Boston December 5. 1863.

To the Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Bofford. } Gentlemen

Mary F. Marshall
whose legal settlement is in your Town, but now residing in this city being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your Town and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for her support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the city of Boston,

With respect your Obedient Servant
A. G. Wyman jr } One of said Overseers.

N.B. Her husband has no settlement in any city or town in this State. We claim her settlement by her grandfather Samuel Wood of your town who died some 40 or 50 years since

J. Pratt Sec.

West Bofford Dec 19 1863.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the city of Boston, — Gentlemen
We have received your letter of Dec 8th in regard to one F. Marshall whose settlement you claim in the town of Bofford. In reply would say that we deny the settlement of any such person in this Town and consequently refuse to pay anything towards her support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Bofford, Very Respectfully yours - John F. Kimball
Chairman of said Overseers

If the Mary F. Marshall of whom you speak is the person we suppose her to be, she probably has a settlement in Charlestown under her father,

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Laura Dresser

Georgetown Apr. 9th 1864

To the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Gentlemen. Laura Dresser an inhabitant of your town but now residing in this town being in needy circumstances has applied to this board for relief, which we have furnished on the account and are to the proper charge of the Town of Boxford, where the said person has a legal settlement

You are requested to remove the said person or otherwise provide for her support without delay

In behalf of the Overseers
of the Poor of Georgetown
C. B. Jenney. Chm

P.S. Miss Dresser thinks she shall require the same amount from the town for the coming year that she has been receiving viz. one dollar & seventy five cents per four weeks, that being the amount that she pays for rent

C B Jenney

Received by Boxford, Apr 11 1864

Mrs Betsy Hardy 177

Boxford To Groveland

To the Overseers of the Poor of Groveland

Gentlemen Mrs. Betsy Hardy Wife of Chandler B. Hardy whose legal settlement is in your Town but now residing in this Town being in needy circumstances has applied to this board for relief for herself and four children, which we have granted and charged to your Town and shall continue to do so until you remove or otherwise provide for her support

Boxford May 31st 1864

Wm P. Killam
Joshua T. Day
William R. Cole
} Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

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Semina Hardy

Ipswich to Boxford

Sessions Ipswich Dec. 2. 1864 Ordered that the Town of Boxford be charged with the support of the within named Semina Hardy

House of Correction of the County of Essex
Ipswich Nov. 30th 1864

To the gentlemen Selectmen or Overseers of the Poor
of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen -

Semina Hardy having a lawful settlement in the Town of Boxford has been committed to the House of Correction at Ipswich in the County of Essex, by due course of law, for the term of three months from Nov. 30th 1864

This is to notify you that the expenses of her support will be charged to the Town of Boxford

In behalf of the Overseers of said House
I respectfully your obt servt
John W. Cross Master of said House

P.S. She is the daughter of Chandler B. Hardy who is now in the 3rd N.H. Reg. in the Army her Grandfathers name was John B. Hardy

J. W. C.

Boxford | To | Ipswich

Boxford Dec 5th 1864

Seth Crosby Chairman of the House of Correction at Ipswich

Sir

Your letter of Nov 30th/64 was received Dec 3rd 1864. Stating that Jemima Hardy had been committed to the House of Correction and that the expenses of her support will be charged to the Town of Boxford. Jemima Hardy has no legal settlement in this town therefore we shall refuse to pay anything for her support.

I am in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Respectfully Yours

Wm E Killam } Chairman of said Overseers

P.S. Jemima Hardy's legal settlement is in the Town of Groveland. The Overseers of that Town have within a few weeks paid a bill to this town for Supplies furnished C B Hardy's family by our Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Yours &c

Wm E Killam

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Betsy Hardy and four Children

Boston

Boston Oct. 1st 1865

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Canton

Gentlemen

Betsy Hardy wife of Chandler B Hardy, and four children whose lawful Settlement is in your Town but now residing in this town in such circumstances have applied to this town for relief which we have granted and shall continue to do until you remove them or otherwise provide for their support

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boston
with respect Your Obt. Servant
Wm E Fillmore
Overseer

Allowed at Boston Oct. 2nd 1865 on a bill

Overseers Wife of Chandler B. Hardy. 151

Bosford To Groveland

West Bosford March 23rd 1865

Overseers of the Poor of the town of Groveland
Gentlemen —

The wife and children of Chandler B. Hardy whose legal settlement is in your Town but now residing in this Town are in very needy circumstances and have applied to this board for ~~relief~~ aid which we have granted and charged to your Town (The Amt already furnished is nearly $10.) and we shall thus continue to do until you remove or otherwise provide for their support.

Very Respectfully Yours
John F. Kimball

for Overseers of the Poor of the town of Bosford.

Their State aid upon which they have been supported in part has now ceased, and they are very destitute both of food and clothing and need a good of assistance immediately

J. F. Kimball

162 Townsend to Boxford

Townsend Dec 13 1865

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford
Gentlemen

Frederick Fletcher an illegitimate son of Jane ~~Fletcher~~ Taylor whose father (Stephen Taylor) died at your almshouse is receiving aid and assistance from the board of Overseers of this Town and will continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for him

Yours truly Oliver Proctor

One of and in behalf of the Overseers of Townsend

Boxford to Townsend

West Boxford Dec 19, 1865

Overseers of the Poor of Townsend
Gentlemen

Yours in regard to Jane Taylor daughter of Shepherd ~~Stephen~~ Taylor is at hand. In reply would say that no man by that ~~has ever~~ died at our almshouse so far as I can learn neither has any such person gained any residence in Boxford so far as I can learn neither from our ~~books~~ or by tradition and we utterly refuse to remove him or pay anything towards his support.

Very truly yours John F Kimball

Chairman of Overseers of Poor of Boxford.

Middleton to Boxford. 1.83

Middleton Nov 19th 1867

Overseers of the Poor Town of Boxford

Gentlemen

Mrs. Olive A Peirce (age 45) daughter of the late Timothy Emerson whose legal settlement is in your Town but non residing in Middleton being in needy circumstances has applied to our Board for relief which we have granted & charged to your Town and shall continue to do so until you remove her or otherwise provide for her support

in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor
Town of Middleton

Wm A Phelps Chairman

P.S. Mrs. Peirces husband Chas A Peirce has no settlement in the state unless he has one in your Town - and he may have for he has paid the requisite number of taxes & lived there nearly or quite long enough for that purpose - if she fails of deriving a settlement from her husband she will get one from her Father who lived in your Town some 12 or 15 years & paid all the taxes set against him. As Mrs. Peirces mind is somewhat impaired she does not recollect the years of his residence but your records will show when it was W. A. P.

Boxford Nov 26th 1867

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Middleton

Gentlemen

We received yours of the 19th inst. relative to Mrs Olive A Peirce and alleging that her legal settlement is in the Town of Boxford. After careful enquiry we are satisfied that neither her husband or father ever gained a settlement in Boxford, and we hereby refuse to remove

provide or pay for her support;

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Bedford

Ancill Dorman

(One of said overseers)

P.S. C. A. Peirce did not live in Bedford more than six or seven years. Timothy Emerson lived and was taxed here in 1810 and he also lived here four years between 1820 and 1826 coming here from Topsfield and removing from here to Danvers, he moved to Georgetown more than thirty years ago. paid taxes many years and died there some eight or ten years ago.

A. D.

Mailed & postage p'd Nov 26/67

Information mostly from
Mrs. Jeremiah Rea
and Mr and Mrs Daniel Bixby.

Salem to Boxford

City of Salem

Office of the Overseers of Poor
City Hall Salem Feb. 26th 1868

To the Overseers of the Poor, Boxford
Gentlemen

Daniel L. Gunnison's Wife & Children whose Legal settlement is in your town but now residing in Salem, being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief, which we have granted and charged to your Town ~~for relief~~ and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for their support.

By order of the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Salem
George F. Brown
Clerk of said Overseers

N.B. The Overseers of Danvers say that the settlement of the above is in Boxford & that his mother is there now.
Daniel P. Fitz } Clerk.

Boxford to Salem

Office of Overseers of the Poor, Boxford
Boxford March 6th 1868

To the Overseers of the Poor
of Salem

Gentlemen, Your letter of the twenty sixth Instant stating that Daniel L. Gunnison's wife & Children has fallen into distress and been furnished relief by the Overseers of Poor, at the charge of the Town of Danvers was duly received. Upon inquiry, we are satisfied that this town is not the place of the lawful settlement of the said Persons. We cannot therefore cause their removal, nor contribute towards their support.

By order of the Board of Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Rascoe W. Spear
Chairman of the board of Overseers.

Boston to Boxford

136 Office of the Board of Directors for Public Institutions

Boston Feb 8th 1869

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford.

Gentlemen:

Jacob Batchelder aged 35 years a Pauper, belonging to your town was admitted into the House of Industry (the almshouse) in this city on the 5th inst. and we charge his support to your town, and shall continue to do so, untill he shall be removed or otherwise provided for.

By order and in behalf of the "Board of Directors for Public Institutions," of the City of Boston,

Respectfully yours, &c.

W. M. Flanders. { One of said Directors.

The above person is son of Frederick & Deborah Batchelder who belonged to your town.

Boxford Feb 20th 1869

To the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston,
Gentleman,

We received yours of the 8th inst. relative to Jacob Batchelder, and alleging that his legal settlement is in the Town of Boxford.

After careful enquiry we are satisfied that neither he or his father ever gained a settlement in Boxford. and we hereby refuse to remove him or provide for his support.

By order and in behalf of the Board of Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Joshua T. Day { One of said Overseers.

Boston to Boxford

Office of the Board of Directors for Public Institutions,

Boston, March 4th, 1869

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford.

Gentlemen:

Edwin Albert Lafayette Spofford a Pauper, belonging to your town has admitted into the House of Industry (the almshouse) in this city on the fifth of Feb. last and we charge his support to your town and shall continue to do so, until he shall be removed or otherwise provided for.

By order and in behalf of the "Board of Directors for Public Institutions," of the City of Boston,

Respectfully Yours, &c.
Wm M Flanders, Clerk of said Directors

The above person is 35 years old, born in Boxford and son of Frederick, Mothers maiden name Deborah Wilkins.

The above person was admitted into the Almshouse in Boxford March 12th, 1869.

Geo W. Chadwick, Chairman of the Board of Overseers

Boxford to Salem

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Boxford May 21st 1869.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Salem

Gentlemen:

Benjamin Swan a Pauper, belonging to your City has become a charge to this Town since May 11th and we charge his support to your City, and shall continue to do so, untill he shall be removed or otherwise provided for.

By order and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Respectfully yours &c.

Geo W. Chadwick Chairman of Board Overseers of the Poor.

P.S. Said person is about 57 years old is now at the House of Mr. Geo Stetson near the center of the Town Can be removed at any time.

Boxford Nov 29th 1869.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Lowell.

Gentlemen:

Frank E. Barlow a Pauper belonging to your City was admitted into the Almshouse in this Town on the twenty seventh day of Nov. And we charge his support to your City and shall continue to do so, until he shall be removed or otherwise provided for.

Yours truly Geo W. Chadwick Chairman
Overseers of the Poor Boxford
Mass

The above person was a member of Comp B. 35th Reg of Mass Vol. Inf. he has been an inmate of Soldiers Asylum at Togus Springs Me. wishes us to write you as he is sick and needy.

C. F. C.

Catharine Hughes (a.) Shofford 171

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Board of State Charities
General Agents Department State House Boston July 17th 1872

Overseers of Poor Boxford

Gents,

Enclosed please find bill for sup. of Catharine Hughes (a.) Shofford, Please omit amt. and send bill and we will receipt & have a certificate from the City Clerk of Dover N.H. that Edwin L Shofford born in Boxford and Catharine Hughes born in Ireland were married in Dover N.H. by H. S. Wiswal Esq Oct 18th 1862

Yours Respectfully
Merritt Nash Agt.

Received July 17th 1872.

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The above named Edwin L Shofford died at the Alms-house in Boxford May 22nd 1869. Catharine Hughes was committed to the State Lunatic Asylum at Taunton April 5th 1872 Verbal notice was given to the visiting agent of the Board of State Charities, and the settlement was denied unless proof was shown of a marriage between the said Catharine and Edwin L Shofford.

Thos. P. Doman Chairman of
Overseers 1872

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Bedford to Board of State Charities
Catharine Eaghedal Stoffore

Bedford July 2nd 1872

Merritt Nash Esq. Deputy Agent of Board of State Charities
Boston

Dear Sir

Yours of the 17th inst. enclosing bill for support of Catharine Eaghedal Bedford is at hand. Will you please send us a certified copy of the record of the marriage of the said party. On receipt of this we propose to take action relative to obtaining her discharge from the Asylum at Taunton with a view to have her supported elsewhere at less cost if the account can stand till we learn whether she can be discharged or not we will close the matter when she is discharged if this discharge can be obtained by us, or will if necessary buy it on receipt of the marriage certificate before mentioned

Very Respectfully
Yr Obt Servt
Thos. P. Lyman
Chairman Overseers
Overseers
Bedford

Mailed July 2nd 1872 at Bedford

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Board of State Charities.

GENERAL AGENT'S DEPARTMENT.

State House,

Boston, July 24th 1872

F. P. Dorman Esq.
Chm Overseers of Poor
Boxford Mass.

Dear Sir.

Inside this sheet you will find a copy of the records of the city of Dover N. H. relating to the marriages of Spofford and Hughes, as per certificate of the City Clerk of that place forwarded to this office.

Respectfully Yours
S. C. Wrightington
Gen. Agt. B.S.C.
per Clerk.

Marriages registered in the City of Dover for

Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage	Name & Surname of Groom & Bride	Residence of each	Age
Dover N. H.	1862 Oct. 18	Edwin G. Spofford	Dover N. H.	29
		Catherine Hughes	Dover N. H.	28

the year ending March 31. 1863.

Birthplace of Groom & Bride	By whom married Residence, and official Station.
Boxford Mass. Ireland	H. F. Viswall Justice of the Peace.

City Clerks Office
Dover N. H. July 9. 1872

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Records of the City of Dover

J. B. Stevens Jr.
City Clerk.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Taunton, Mass. Aug 2, 1872.

Thos. P Dorman
Chairman Overseers of the Poor
Bosford Mass.

Dear Sir

The trustees at their meeting today voted to discharge Catherine Hughes to your care, You can come or send for her at any time

Yours truly
H. H. Golding.
Supt.

P.S. Catherine Hughes (Bosford) removed to Tewksbury at Bosford Aug 8th 1872 by Geo. Chadwick

Boxford to Quincy

Boxford Sept 6th 1872

Overseers of the Poor Quincy Gents.

Mrs Hayden a pauper belonging to your town is sick we have assisted her and shall charge her support to you till you remove her (which we wish you to do at once) or otherwise provide for her. She is stopping with her brother Joseph C. Peabody near the Centre of the town

Yours truly Geo H. Chadwick for the Overseers of the Poor Boxford.

Notified Mrs Hayden to be removed this day

Quincy to Boxford.

Quincy Sept 6th 1872

Overseers Poor Boxford.

Gents yours of the 5th was rec'd this A.M. We should like to know the amount of assistance that you render to Mrs Hayden, and whether condition is.

Yours Respectfully John P. A. Field

Sel'mn one of Overseers

Boxford to Quincy

Boxford Oct 2nd 1872

Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Quincy

Gentlemen In answer to yours of the 6th inst. Medical attendance about $80 to date liable to be increased any moment she is in a very feeble state so much so that it would be painful to remove her to the present at least. She is in want of bedding flannels, &c., at once if she remains here she is her friends are very poor but would be willing to care for her & think for the sum of $4.00 per week, I presume we should have to pay that sum for a case like this. I do not wish to advise would prefer to have you see the parties

Yours truly Geo. Chadwick for Overseers of the Poor Boxford

Mailed Oct 8 '72

196 Boxford to Quincy

Overseers of the Poor of Quincy

Gentn. Mrs. Peabody called on the Overseers today saying that she wished to know at once what you proposed to do in relation to removing or providing for the support of Mrs. Gaydon, she paid her sixteen dollars, for boarding her from Aug 26th to Sept 23rd 1872. Mrs. Gaydons health is not as good as when I wrote you before Dr Knott was called to her yesterday, and she will probably need medical assistance as long as she lives. Not having received any answer to my last we have not provided her as much assistance as we think she needs, but we prefer to leave that matter to your own judgment. You will save expense most likely by attending to this case at once. P.S. Mr Peabody lives not far from the Station in Boxford, you can come and go home in one day if you wish.

Respectfully yours
Geo H. Chadwick for
Overseers of
the Poor of
Boxford.

Boxford Oct 14th 1872

Boxford to Lawrence

Boxford Essex Co. Mass.
October 28th 1872

Overseers of Poor of Lawrence Mass.

Gentlemen

Elizabeth A Hayden whose legal settlement is in your town but now residing in this town being in needy circumstances has applied a second time to this board for relief which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue so to do until you remove her or otherwise provide for her support. She has been here since Aug. 9 and we are paying $4.00 per week for her board besides medical attendance and have furnished her with necessary clothing. We would like to know what action you intend to take in regard to her case

Very Respectfully
For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Thos. P. Dorman
Chairman

Mailed at Boxford Oct. 28th 1872

178 Elizabeth Hayden - Support to Lunacy

Norfolk Co. Mass
November 26th 1872

To the Overseers of the Poor of Lunacy Mass
Gentlemen

Inclosed please find a bill for support of and relief furnished to Elizabeth A Hayden amounting to Eighty One 75/100 Dollars Please remit the amount with this bill and we will receipt and return. Mrs Hayden still requires relief and we shall still charge to your account all necessary expense of her support incurred by this Town

Very Respectfully.
for and by order of the Overseers of Poor of Bosford
Thos P Dorman Overseer

Mailed at Bosford Nov 26 1872

The settlement of the foregoing was acknowledged and payment received from Lunacy of the above

Thos P Dorman

Jany. 2nd 1873

Charles L. Smith, Wife and three children
Danvers to Boxford
Office of the Overseers of the Poor
Danvers

Danvers Dec 9th 1872

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen

Charles L. Smith wife and three children whose last residence is in your town but now residing in Danvers being in needy circumstances has applied to us for relief which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue so to do until [illegible] Immediately [illegible]

By order of The Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Danvers

Sam'l P. Fowler } Chairman of the Board of Overseers

Charles L. Smith is sick of a fever and I have furnished him with supplies and medicine. Would it not be well for you to visit him & inform me what to do for him. His wife however thinks he will be able to work in a few days

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The above letter was Postmarked "Danvers Dec 26" and received at Boxford Dec. 21st 1872

Thos. P. Gorman } Chairman of Overseers of Poor of Boxford

No

[illegible] - Expenditure [illegible]

Record Dec 20th

To the Overseers of the Poor Quincy

Gentlemen

We send to you at the same time a bill for support of Elizabeth [illegible] amounting $1,75, as you are informed to be a case of communicable and we feel it is important of the course you intend to pursue, we have to say that if the bill is not paid within ten days from this date and we do not hear from you relative to its payment we shall endeavor to transfer the said burden to your care and institute proceedings to recover the amount of our charges with costs

Yours Respectfully

for the Overseers of the Poor of Bedford

Thos P Lorman Clerk

Quincy to Bedford

Town of Quincy - Office Overseers of Poor

Quincy Dec 21st 1872

To the Overseers of the Poor of Bedford

Gentlemen

Your of Dec 20th was received and duly noted. In your letter you state that you will remove Mrs. Hayden to our Town if your bill is not paid within ten days. We will confer a great favor to the Overseers of the Poor of Quincy by so doing and then we should like to have you present your bill [illegible] that you may see if we are willing to have it paid.

Yours Respectfully

[illegible]

Clerk Overseers Poor of Quincy

Manchester Mass. to Boxford - Chas L. Smith - Otis Smith

Manchester Mass. Feb. 11th 1873

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen

Charles L. Smith aged about 28 years and his wife Lucretia aged about 3 years whose legal settlement is in your town but now residing in this town have recently made application to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue to do so until you remove or otherwise provide for their support.

Respectfully

John Lee
J. H. Cheever
} Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Manchester

P.S. Mr Smith with his children came to this town Jan 20 and stayed at the house of James Andrews 2d. He married a sister of Mrs Chas L. Smith, who is at the present time. Mr Andrews is not able to support them and is obliged to look to us for assistance. He has been unable to support his own family. Mr Andrews applied to the Overseers here some weeks ago and last week made a formal application for the expense of their support and we have taken the matter into consideration from the particulars of the case. It appears that your board had made provision for them at Boxford previous to their coming here. Mr Andrews says he cannot provide for them for less than two dollars per week and as we do not therefore provide for them in any other way we would refer to remove them to your town, but we should not feel justified in taking them to our town without an order from your Board to do so, or to send them out. Respectfully yours &c

Overseers of the Poor of Manchester

Received at Boxford Friday, 13th 1873

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Haverhill to Boxford — John Robinson

City of Haverhill.
Office of Overseers of the Poor, City Hall,
March 28. 1874

To the Overseers of Poor of Town of Boxford
Gentlemen.

This is to notify you that John Robinson Residence six miles from City proper. He has the Rheumatism or Rheumatic Fever in needy circumstances in this city is, and claiming a legal settlement in your Town is being relieved by this Board at the charge of your Town and will so continue until you remove or otherwise provide for him.

With respect gentlemen
your obt servt
H. K. Snow
One of said Overseers,

A true copy

John Robinson has no settlement in his own right but who acquired one by his father Joseph Robinson of Boxford on the road to North Andover.
(Rec'd March 30. 1874)

Boxford to Haverhill

Boxford April 1st 1874.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Haverhill
Gentlemen.

Yours of the 28th ult. relative to the support of a pauper named John Robinson is received.

Upon due enquiry we are satisfied that the said John Robinson has no settlement in Boxford.

We therefore decline removing him, or paying any expense that has arisen or may arise for his support.

By order of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford
Yours truly
Ancill Dorman
One of said Overseers

(Mailed & stamped April 2. 1874)

Salem to Boxford

Office of the Overseers of the Poor
City Hall
Salem June 2nd 1874

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford } Gentlemen

Mrs Mary P. Gould

aged 71 yrs whose legal settlement is in your Town but now residing in this city, being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your Town and shall continue so to do, until you remove or otherwise provide for her support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Salem.

With respect, Gentlemen, your Obedient Servant

E. B. Leane } one of said Overseers

N.B. The above is the wife or widow of Hiram Gould of Boxford. She is known by the name of Mary P. Chenery her maiden name.

Residence 55 North St

Resptly
D. P. Fritts Clk.

(Recd June 3rd 1874 at 6 o'clock P.M.
A Dorman)

Died in Salem April 26, 1876 Mrs Mary P Chenery 73 yrs 4 months
Salem Gazette

Haverhill to Boxford

City of Haverhill.
Office of Overseers of the Poor, City Hall,
June 10th 1874

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford
Gentlemen:

This is to notify you that Mrs Clarissa H. Clark in needy circumstances in this City is and claiming a legal settlement in your Town is being relieved by this Board at the charge of your town and will so continue until you remove or otherwise provide for her support

With respect gentlemen

Your Ob't Serv't.
H K Snow
One of said Overseers

Clarissa married Samuel Clark for her second husband who had no settlement in this State, he died some 20 years ago in Salem N.H. She married Samuel Cole for her first husband who had a settlement in his own right, or acquired one by his Father Simeon Cole.

We have aided her some eight dollars and she will want some fifty to seventy cents per week.

Yours
H K Snow
One of said Overseers

Rec'd Saturday eve June 13/74
A Dorman

Townsend to Boxford. Sibel Pritchard

Office of Overseers of the Poor Townsend, Mass
Sept 25th 1874

To Overseers of the Poor Boxford, Mass
Gentlemen

Mrs Sibel Pritchard, widow of the late Charles C Pritchard, whose legal settlement is in your Town but now residing in this Town being in needy circumstances, has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted, and charged to your Town and shall continue so to do until you remove, which you are requested to do or otherwise provide for her support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Townsend With Respect Gent

Yours Truly
Charles Osgood Chairman B of Overseers Poor

P.S. Mrs Pritchard is sick, the Doct. says she may recover but has some doubts of it she being aged
(Rec'd Sept 26 /74)

Boxford to Townsend

Boxford Mass Sept 28th 1874

To Overseers of the Poor of Townsend
Gentlemen

Yours of the 25th inst relative to Mrs Sibel Pritchard widow of the late Charles C Pritchard whose legal settlement you allege is in this town is received. We deny the settlement of the said Sibel Pritchard in our town and decline to remove or to pay any expense that has arisen or may arise for her support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford
Yours truly
Ancill Dorman
Chairman of Overseers

P.S. I presume that Charles C Pritchard may have been son of William P. of New Ipswich and grandson of Paul Pritchard who left Boxford about 1773 but sec 2 Ch 372 Laws of 1870 repeals all settlements acquired under any law in force prior to Feb 11. 1794, with one exception which does not apply here, and relieves us from all liability in the matter, if any had otherwise existed.
A.D.

Mailed at Boxford, Sept 28 1874

Boston to Boxford

Office of the Overseers of the Poor
Charity Building,
Corner of Hawkins and Chardon Streets
Boston Nov 13. 1874.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford } Gentlemen

Michael Key, wife & 5 children whose legal settlement is in your town but now residing in this City, being in needy circumstances have applied to this Board for relief, which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for their support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston

With respect Gentlemen your Obedient Servant

F. W. Lincoln } One of
} said Overseers

Key enlisted in the U.S. Navine ~~Service~~ Corps as substitute for Horace Bury Sept 15. 1864, disch'd Aug. 15. 1868. Boxford quota. He is a young man 32 years old, but is now out of work and his children are all under 10 years of age

Boxford to Boston

To the Overseers of the Poor of
the City of Boston.

Boxford Dec 18- 1874

Gentlemen.

Sidney Eaton who was committed by due course of law to the Boston Lunatic Hospital about twelve years ago, has been supported several years at the Ipswich Receptacle at the expense of the town of Boxford; but recent investigation having made it evident that the legal settlement of said Eaton is in Boston, you are hereby notified that the expense of his support will be charged to your City until you remove or otherwise provide for his support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

With respect gentlemen your Obedient Servant

Ansell Dorman

Chairman of said Overseers

See note pages 72 73 51 52 7 8 9 10

The father of Sidney Eaton was an Englishman (never naturalized), Sidney would take his mother's settlement who was daughter of Nathan Peabody of Boston who we claim, gained a settlement in your City under the old fourth rule by having a freehold in Boston of the clear yearly income of three pounds and taking the rents and profits thereof three years successively. He was taxed in Boston for real estate valued at four thousand pounds from 1794 to 1798 inclusive. He also appears to have lived in Boston from 1787 to 1798 and paid taxes five (5) at least, of those years

Mailed at Boxford Dec 19 - 1874 at 7.15 A.M.

Sidney Eaton was discharged from Ipswich Jan 8. 1875 and a warrant obtained committing him to the Tewksbury Hospital as a State Pauper

A. D.

Boston to Boxford

Office of Overseers of the Poor
Cor of Hawkins & Chardon Sts

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford } Gentlemen.

Wm Langdon, wife & 3 children whose legal settlement is in your town but now residing in this City being in needy circumstances, have applied to this Board for relief, which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for their support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston.

With respect gentlemen your Obedient Servant
Thos F. Temple } one of said Overseers

Langdon enlisted July 26. /64
in the Navy, dis'chd July 8. 1867
Boxford quota

(Rec'd Saturday Feb 27/75)

Paid bill $24.00 Feb 17, 1876 ad

Office of Overseers of the Poor Corner of Hawkins & Chardon Sts Boston March 4. 1876

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen — Wm Langdon whose legal settlement is in your town but now residing in this City being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your town, and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for his support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston.

With respect Gentlemen your Obedient Servant
A. H. Lincoln } one of said Overseers

"Acknowledged case"

Haverhill to Boxford

City of Haverhill
Office of Overseers of the Poor City Hall
July 28. 1875

To the Overseers of Poor of Town of Boxford

Gentlemen;

This is to notify you that Mrs Charles A. Goodale in needy circumstances in this city is, and claiming a legal settlement in your town is being relieved by this Board at the charge of your town and will so continue until you remove or otherwise provide for her

With respect, gentlemen
Your Ob't Servt

H. K. Snow
One of said Overseers

Rec'd July 30 1875 (Mailed same day)

She has been sick - Husband deserted her - And I dident know that she was married until recently July 26 - Has a marriage certificate dated August 6 - 1874

We have relied her some 2½ dollars
wont want any more

Yours
H. K. Snow

210 Boxford to Andover

To the Overseers of Poor of Andover Mass.

Nov 16th 1875

Gentlemen: This is to notify you that Stephen G Holt * in needy circumstances in this town is, and claiming a legal settlement in your town is being relieved by this Board at the charge of your town and will so continue until you remove or otherwise provide for him.

With respect, gentlemen
Your obt servant Geo W. Chadwick
Chairman of said
Overseers

P.S. Holt is sick at the house of D.L. Reynolds in West Boxford about three miles from North Andover Depot.

Mailed same day.

* Died Nov 17, 1875. Bill for expenses $54.50 settled in full by Andover in March 1876 A.D.

[illegible]

Common-Pauper [illegible]

Legal settlement [illegible]

about six years of age, was now residing in this town, and being in needy circumstances, has exhibited to this board satisfactory evidence which we have granted and charged to your town, and shall continue to do until you [illegible]

Now and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Topsfield bill to that town [illegible]

Respectfully Yours
Nevill Dorman
One of said Overseers.

P.S. Mrs. Peabody is residing with her father G. B. Peabody who say. She is not able and can get nothing to do. Could probably get through the winter with some [illegible] per week. P. C. Peabody thinks, lives in Lincoln, removing quite to this town $200 — N. D.

Settlement acknowledged and bill $20.50 paid by the Topsfield Overseers Dec 2. 1876

242 Topsfield to Boxford

Topsfield Jan 18. 1876. To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Gentlemen Your notice dated Jan 14th informing us that Mrs. Joseph E. Peabody is an expense as a pauper in your town and calling on us to support her in this town, upon examination we find no evidence that this town is the place of lawful settlement of said pauper. We therefore decline receiving her, or paying any expense for her support. For a married woman the place of the Poor of the town of Topsfield is her place of legal settlement.

(Signed by the Overseers)

Settlement acknowledged, see previous page,

Boxford to Andover. 213

Boxford Feb. 26. 1876

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Andover

Gentlemen:

George A. Shattuck whose legal settlement is in your town, with his wife and one child about nine months old, is now residing in this town and being in needy circumstances has applied to this board for relief which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for their support

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

With respect Gentlemen your Obedient servant

Aneill Doman

One of said Overseers

Mailed at Boxford Feb 28. 1876

P.S. G.S.S. is son of Nathaniel S. Shattuck who lived many years in your town and died there in the summer of 1874

A.D.

Settlement acknowledged to Geo W. Chandler March 1876

Bill of $8.00 paid by Andover May 25 - 1876

214 Boxford to West Newbury

Boxford March 11. 1876

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of West Newbury.

Gentlemen:

Sarah C. Downer wife of Joseph W. Downer, whose legal settlement is in your town, is now with three children, residing in this town, and being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief, which we have granted and charged to your town, and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for their support

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Your Obedient Servant

Ancill Dorman

Chairman of said Overseers

Mrs D says your overseers have been allowing her $2.00 per week. but not feeling able to go so far after it, she applied here representing herself quite destitute

O. D.

[illegible] acknowledged [illegible] in a letter requesting [illegible] to [illegible] expenses [illegible]

O. D.

[illegible] March [illegible] 1876

[illegible] I hereby notify you that I have [illegible] to the town of Boxford

Respt yours R. B. Root

Bill $20.25 Paid by West Newbury May [illegible]

Boxford to - Newbury

Boxford March 15 1876

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Newbury

Gentlemen - Simon O Rogers whose legal settlement is in your town together with his wife and one child about 5 weeks old, are now residing in this town and being in needy circumstances has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your town, and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for their support

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

With respect gentlemen your obedient servant.

Ancill Dorman
One of said Overseers

Provided March 15/76

Georgetown to Boxford

Georgetown Aug 7. 1876

To the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford
Gentlemen;

Mrs Joseph Peabody whose legal settlement is in your town but now residing in this town, being in needy circumstances, has applied to this Board for relief for herself and two children which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue ~~so to do~~ to do so until you remove or otherwise provide for their support.

In behalf of the Overseers of the Town of Georgetown

George H. Carleton } one of said overseers

Mrs Peabody has been confined and needs some help - we have given her and order for some material to clothe the child with - she thinks she will have to have about $2 per week to get along

Boxford Aug 11. 1876

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Georgetown

Gentlemen:

Yours of the 7th inst. informing us that Mrs Joseph Peabody is on expense as a pauper in your town with two children, is received, also alleging that the legal settlement of said person is in this town.

Upon due enquiry we are satisfied that no such person has any lawful settlement in the town of Boxford. We therefore decline removing said pauper, and decline paying any expense that has arisen or may arise for the support of herself or children.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

With respect gentlemen your obedient servant.

Ancill Dorman
one of said Overseers

If the subject of your notice is the wife of Joseph E. Peabody, as I presume she is, her legal settlement is without doubt in Topsfield, as he was born there and probably never gained a settlement any where else, certainly not in Boxford.

Yours A D.

Mailed at Boxford Aug 12.

218 Manchester to Boxford

Manchester July 24th 1878

Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford
Gentlemen.

Edward Everett Jenison whose legal settlement is in your town, but now residing in this town, being in needy circumstances, has applied to this Board for relief, which we have granted and charged to your town, and shall continue so to do until you remove, or otherwise provide for his support.

Respectfully

John Lee
Wm A Stone
J H Cheever
} Overseers of the Poor of Manchester

P.S. Edward Everett Jenison is son of Elisabeth Matilda Smith and is aged about 14 years

J. Lee

Boxford to Manchester

Boxford Aug 2. 1878

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Manchester

Gentlemen;

Yours of the 24th ult. stating that Edward Everett Jenison was receiving aid as a pauper and alleging that his legal settlement is in this town is received.

Upon due enquiry we are satisfied that said pauper has no legal settlement in this town. We therefore decline removing him or paying any expense that has arisen or may arise on his account.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Yours respectfully

Sneill Dorman

Chairman

Mailed Aug 2

P.S.

Elisabeth Matilda Smith was married about the year 1856, in Haverhill, to William Eddy whose settlement was in Royalston where I am informed she and her children were for a while supported after his decease. Of course she took her husband's settlement and the child her's at time of birth, and if named for its reputed father its name is probably Gunnison instead of Jenison as you gave it. My informant thought Eddy might have had a middle name but was not certain

A.D.

Georgetown to Boyford

Georgetown Mr. 7. 1833 To the Selectmen of Boyford, Gentlemen:
Samuel A. Bradale, whose legal settlement is in your town but now residing in this town being in needy circumstances, has applied to this Board for aid which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue to do so until you remove or otherwise provide for his support. In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Georgetown.

Sherman Nelson, One of said Overseers.

Boxford Dec 5th 1877

To the Overseers of the Poor of Georgetown
Gentlemen

Yours of the 7th in relation to Samuel P. Goodale, received and considered. In conversation with him, I think he can get along with about two or three dollars per week with board and care. Please advise me if I am much out, I think much sum much greater please act in this board and I will render attention at once

Yours very respt Geo H. Chadwick Chn
of Said Overseers

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Boxford to Lowell

Boxford June 29. 1878

To the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Lowell.

Gentlemen;

Edward Daley whose legal settlement is in your city is now in this town in needy circumstances and has applied to this board for relief which we have granted and charged to your city and we shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for her support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Respectfully yours

Ancill Dorman

Ch of said Overseers

Mailed July 1. 1878

E.D. served in 33rd Mass Regt Co G. to the ser of Lowell. servin expired June 11. 1865. he has been in town a short time and about a week ago was taken with paralysis in one of his arms so he is to a considerable degree helpless as we have two others sick at the almshouse it would be greatly for our relief and perhaps for your interest to remove him as soon as possible

A.D.

(Settlement acknowledged and pauper removed July 12. /78)

Watertown to Boxford

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Office of the Overseers of the Poor
Watertown Nov 15th 1878

To the Overseers of the Poor of
the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen

Abraham Hill &
family wife & child, whose legal settlement is
in your town but now residing in this Town
being in needy circumstances have applied
to this Board for relief, which we have granted
and charge to your Town and shall continue
so to do until you remove or otherwise
provide for their support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the
Poor of the Town of Watertown

With respect Gentlemen your Obedient Servant

J. W. Magee { One of said Overseers

Mr Hill came here about two years ago from your
town where had lived more than twenty years,
Owned Real Estate for ten years or more on the
road leading from Salem to Lawrence

Are this Driveler [illegible]

Georgetown to Boxford

Georgetown February 1 1879

To the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford

Gentlemen

Mrs Susan H. Knapp

whose legal settlement is in your town but now residing in this town, being in needy circumstances, has applied to this Board for relief, which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for her support

In behalf of the Overseers of the Town of Georgetown

Sherman Nelson

one of said Overseers

Mrs Knapp is a daughter of Chandler B Hardy, her husband having no settlement in this State she takes her fathers

West Newbury to Boxford

West Newbury Feb 5 1879

Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford } Gentlemen:

Chandler B. Hardy with his wife and two children whose legal settlement is in your town but now residing in this town, being in needy circumstances, have applied to this board for relief which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue so to do until you remove them, which you are requested to do, or otherwise to provide for their support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of West Newbury

With Respect Gentlemen
Your Obt Servt
Chas W Ordway
one of said Overseers

N. B. Mr Hardy has been sick for some weeks. They have been assisted to the amount of $6.00 - or $2.00 per week for three weeks

C.W.O.

Roxbury Mass. October [illegible]

To the Overseers of the Poor [illegible]

Gentlemen:

Charles H. [illegible] whose legal settlement is in your city but now residing in this town, being in needy circumstances, has [illegible] continue to do so until [illegible] for his support.

Respectfully yours &c. Geo. H. Chadwick
One of said Overseers

P.S. Mr. [illegible] [illegible]

To the Selectmen of the Poor of the Town of Berwick

Gentlemen:

Mrs. Sarah Henry who has been in your Town but now residing in this town is [illegible] to this Board [illegible] to you shall continue to do [illegible]

Therefore in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Mrs Sarah Henry was born at [illegible] married at [illegible] she then lived [illegible] went to your town Berwick till about 1845 to Parsonsfield till about 1850 then to Holyoke [illegible] to Charlton where her husband died [illegible] then to [illegible] [illegible] in Vermont [illegible] your town for over 20 [illegible]

[illegible] to be
[illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible] be [illegible]

[illegible] gentlemen

Philadelphia, Sept. 20th

Dear Sir, I have received your letter of the 17th from Boston, with Gentlemen and letter of Introduction to Mr. Lawrence, which letters

friends have been forwarded with the claims as stated by Mr. Lawrence & Mr. Brooks. Mr. Lawrence has

She could not be more than 18 years of age and

She could be employed [illegible] such her business [illegible] to be removed if practicable to do so, as soon as you decide to do in her

Respectfully, J. B. Fuller, on the Committee of the Society of Friends

[illegible]

[illegible]

Gentlemen [illegible]

How is it that you assume [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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Overseers to Poxford

Chicopee Mass Jan 22 1880

Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Poxford Mass
Gentlemen, your letter of Dec 27, 1879 denying the S. H. Claim of Mrs Aaron Henry in your town is received in reply I would say that I have carefully examined her history and find by her family record that she was married April 17, 1810. They resided at Ware N. H. till Oct 1821 then direct to your town Poxford where they lived continuously till 1833 then to Belmont about 4 years then back to Poxford till Nov 1845 then to Springfield Mass till 1849 then to Holyoke till 1855 then to Chicopee where he died March 12, 1858 I have examined the records in Springfield and Holyoke and find him in Springfield May 1848 in trade, Price & Lazes then in Holyoke 1850 1855 By some papers Mrs Henry has & since Jan 17 1836 he bought a piece of land of John Parker and bounded by other land of said Henry & am satisfied he remained in your town till May 1837 if not later.

Respectfully

S. Mosman

Chairman of

Overseers of Poor

Mrs Aaron Henry widow of the late Aaron Henry whose legal settlement is in your town but now residing in this town, being in needy circumstances, has applied to this Board for relief, which we have granted, and shall continue to do so until you remove her (which you are requested to do) or otherwise provide for her support

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Chicopee

With respect your humble S. Mosman

One of said Overseers

Died July 1883

Board of Aldermen [illegible]

Boston, Mass. [illegible]

To the Common Council of the Board of Aldermen [illegible]

Gentlemen:

Andrew J. Barker, whose legal settlement is in [illegible] but now residing in this town, being in reduced circumstances, has applied to the Board of Selectmen for aid in his support. The charge is unknown, and shall remain so until you inform us of the facts in relation thereto.

Respectfully yours, by order of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Andover.

Geo. [illegible], by order of said Board

Denied Settlement in North Andover

[illegible]

Georgetown to Boxford

Georgetown Mass., Sept 8 1871

To the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford Gentlemen.
James D. Smith whose legal settlement is in your town and now residing in this town, being in needy circumstances, has applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your town and shall continue to do so until you shall notify us otherwise provide for his support.

In behalf of the Overseers of the Town of Georgetown

Sherman Nelson Clerk of the Overseers

Boxford to Georgetown

Boxford Sept 11 1871

To the Overseers of the Poor of Georgetown

Gentlemen:—

[illegible] the [illegible] of James D. Smith [illegible] Town of Boxford (or State) We therefore decline [illegible] support of said claimant.

Respectfully yours in behalf of Overseers of the Town of Boxford,

Geo M. Chadwick

To Sherman Nelson Esq. Clerk of Overseers

Bedford [illegible]

Bedford July 9th 1881

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of [illegible]

Gentlemen:-

Miss Abigail Perley [illegible] but [illegible] living in this town has in needy circumstances been applied to this Board for relief which we have granted and charged to your Town and shall continue to do so unless we receive an order or other information to the contrary.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Bedford

Yours Respectfully

Geo. H. Chadwick [illegible]

of Lice Chadwick

State Board of Health, Lunacy, and Charity.
Department of In Door Poor State House
Boston April 21. 188

Chairman Overseers of Poor Bedford Mass.

Dear Sir: Mr H. Battles of Worcester Lunatic Hospital is son of Josiah Battle who died in Bedford 15 years ago and had a legal settlement there at time of death Please acknowledge

Yours Resptly
S. C. Wrightington

Bedford April 23. 1881

S. C. Wrightington
Department of In Door Poor Boston Mass.
Dear Sir: Yours of April 21st duly received and after careful examination at the Clerks office we can find no record of the name of Josiah Battles, even died or dies in the town of Bedford, therefore we refuse to acknowledge the settlement of Mr H. Battles, or provide for his support.

Yours Respectfully.
Geo W. Chandler for Overseers of the Poor Bedford

Rowley Oct 30th 1[illegible]

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford
Gentlemen

Mrs Hurley & four children have come to this town, but was resident in this town but a very small time & have applied to the Poor for relief which we have granted & hope to your Poor will continue to do until you return or otherwise provide for their support

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Rowley.
with Respect, Gentlemen
Your Obt Servant.
Geo A. Todd
One of said Overseers

Mrs Hurley is the wife of Joseph Hurley some of the children are sick with fever —

Endorsed To Rowley
Nov 1st 1[illegible]

Geo A. Todd Esq Chairman Overseers of the Poor of Rowley Mass.

Dear Sir.

Please grant Mrs Hurley & family such relief as the Overseers of the Poor of Boxford may think proper to give, and if you think proper to do so, we shall think they will be able to pay you some time soon.

Yours respectfully
Geo [illegible]
Chairman of the
Overseers of the Poor of
Boxford

Grovelands Jan 8th 1844

To the Overseers of the
Poor of the Town of Groveland

Gentlemen This is to notify you Sarah that Edward Bacon whose legal settlement is in your Town, but is now in this Town, is in distress, and this town has been called upon for assistance which we have granted, and shall continue so to do until you remove him or otherwise provide for him.

In behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of Groveland

Yours Respectfully
Abel Stickney
One of said Overseers

Said Bacon committed suicide yesterday

Note Inform Stickney in Boston soon as you have arranged matters.

Over all matters of one of Overseers

Lawrence to Boxford

Lawrence Dec 31st 1889

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Gentlemen: I hereby notify you that a pauper lettered is in your town viz: Mary Jane Smith, living in Boxford, and that I have taken the Bond for indemnifying the town, and shall be your town and that I will do, or cause to be done, or otherwise provide for her support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Lawrence, with her bondsmen.

Yours obedient Servant,

J. A. Noonan Clerk of Overseers.

The above is left, and if you desire now and will be seen confined and be a burden to the City of Lawrence, the above left house this was living at 302 Elm St.

Boxford Jan 8th 1890

To the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Lawrence,

Gentlemen: In reply to your notification to me, Mary Jane Smith, a pauper, lettered or insane, not that she is not insane or deteriorated, I do not consider myself liable to remove her or otherwise provide for her support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford.

Respectfully yours,

Geo. H. Chadwick

Sole Overseer

242 Boston To Boxford

Boston June 18th 1864.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford.

Gentlemen, Miss Caroline Hunt, of whom legal settlement is in your town but now residing in this City, being in very precarious health, this Board is fully satisfied, in lieu of justice, and a regard to your town, she should continue to do, unless you remove or otherwise provide for her support.

For and in behalf of said Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston

With respect, Gentlemen, your Obedient Servant,

B. Pelton Sec of Said Overseers.

Miss H. says she lived with Mrs Sarah Perley in your town 15 years to time of Mrs P's death - Not 5 years in one place since.

Boxford to Boston

Boxford Mass Jan 30 1864

To the Overseers of the Poor City of Boston.

Gentlemen: Yours of the 18th instant - in relation to Caroline Hunt, has been received, and in reply would say that we deny the settlement of any such person in this town and consequently decline to pay anything towards her support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boxford

Very respectfully yours

[illegible]

[illegible]

Miss Caroline [illegible] is [illegible] to [illegible] Boxford has a settlement by [illegible] in Line Brook Parish Ipswich Mass. or Lawrence Mass. where she lived for a time

Boxford to Georgetown (Albert Nelson)

Boxford Dec 1. 1884

To the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Georgetown

Gentlemen: Albert Nelson whose legal settlement is in your town, is now residing in this town and being in needy circumstances, has applied to this board for relief which we have granted and charged to your town, and shall continue so to do until you remove or otherwise provide for his support.

For and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Boxford

Very respectfully yours
Ancill Dorman
Ch. of said Overseers

Mailed Dec 1. 1884 (AD)

Georgetown to Boxford

Georgetown Dec 8. 1884

To the Overseers of the Poor
Town of Boxford

Gentlemen: Your notice dated Dec 1 informing us that Albert Nelson is an expense as a pauper in your town and alleging that the legal settlement is in this town is received.

Upon due enquiry we can find no evidence that this is the place of lawful settlement of said pauper. We therefore decline removing said pauper or paying any expense that has arisen or may arise for his support.

By order and in behalf of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Georgetown

Sherman Nelson
one of said Overseers

244. [illegible]

[illegible]

To the Over[illegible]
Gentlemen: Seven-eighths [illegible] of your settlement is in your town, is now [illegible] which we have guaranteed and charge your town, and shall continue to [illegible] asked to do, or otherwise provide for support. Boston Tow and in behalf of the [illegible]

Very Respectfully Your
[illegible]

Settlement Cockroaded
Committee shown to inquire
the matter
June 1886.